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‘Our line of work takes a toll’

Experts: Firefighters’ drug issues illustrate larger-scale need to help first responders

By Don Stacom
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While excessive drinking is still vastly more common in the fire service than drug addiction, the sort of Adderall, marijuana and fentanyl use that allegedly took place in New Britain’s fire department isn’t entirely uncommon, experts say.

Nationwide, as many as 29%

of firefighters use alcohol excessively and up to 10% are misusing prescription drugs, according to the federally funded National Survey on Drug Use and Health.

“Firemen are human beings. And in their careers, they’re going to deal with very disturbing stuff. Whether that causes them to turn to something like this, well, some people can handle it better than others,” said Mike Healy, a

veteran substance abuse counselor, former Central Nyack, New York, fire chief and retired clinical director of the New York City transit workers union’s member assistance program.

Healy and other fire service authorities last week said a key to preventing — or at least minimizing — alcohol and drug use in the emergency services is to have a capable, genuinely confidential employee assistance program. Another is openly acknowl-

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Brooke Herbst, left, donated a lifesaving kidney to her friend and colleague Jennifer Wood, right. JENNIFER WOOD/COURTESY

State touts life science industry

Connecticut looks to shed ‘white picket fence’ image as it promotes sector

By Stephen Singer
Hartford Courant

NEW HAVEN — A decade after Connecticut made its initial push to develop a life science sector, businesses, university partners and the state are looking to develop new ways to market the \$6 billion industry.

First, promoters want to change the state’s image as a 1950s suburban enclave.

The opposite is the case, speakers said recently at the Yale Innovation Summit in New Haven. Connecticut’s shoreline is instead seen as a multiethnic hub that offers researchers and entrepreneurs a rare opportunity to market the region as singularly effective in medical and pharmaceutical research and testing.

“I think we still have work to do on changing the perception of Connecticut as sort of white picket fences and stone walls,” said Peter Denious, chief executive officer of AdvanceCT, which seeks to recruit and keep business in Connecticut. “Boston, it’s unbelievably competitive. Our market is not nearly as saturated.

“I think we’re just getting started.”

Gov. Ned Lamont said business executives tell him they want vibrant urban downtowns to attract a workforce of “20-somethings.”

“We have a reputation that we’re not that diverse, and really nice little houses in the suburb and you get a little older and you’ve got 1.8 kids, then you move out there to an acre of land,” he said. “And that wasn’t working anymore in this day and age.”

Promoters of Connecticut’s life science industry point to other benefits. Despite complaints about the cost of doing business and living in Connecticut, the

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A SISTER ‘FOR LIFE’

Through kidney transplant from colleague, South Windsor mom gains a second chance

By Pam McLoughlin
Hartford Courant

New mom Jennifer Wood was terrified when doctors told her she needed a kidney transplant, as her first thought was she might not live to do the simple mom stuff for her son Brady, such as “holding his hand in a nightmare,” she said.

“I struggled so hard, I was scared I was going to die,” Wood said. “I was so terrified I wouldn’t get to see him grow up.”

Then she found a match in an unlikely scenario — a co-worker at Prudential who lives in Bridgewater, New Jersey, who had become a friend through working together virtually during the pandemic.

Wood, 38, of South Windsor, and Brooke Herbst, 52, both in the marketing/individual life insurance department at Prudential collaborate on work projects and had spent countless hours together on the Teams virtual

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Brooke Herbst, left, a breast cancer survivor, donated a kidney to Jennifer Wood. Here they are seen in Hartford Hospital following the kidney transplant. COURTESY

WAR IN UKRAINE

Russia presses offensive in Donbas



Residents take out belongings Saturday from their home ruined by shelling in Irpin, close to Kyiv, Ukraine. EFREM LUKATSKY/AP

Polish leader travels to Kyiv to support EU aspirations

By Elena Becatoros, Oleksandr Stashevskiy and Ricardo Mazalan
Associated Press

KYIV, Ukraine — Russia pressed its offensive in eastern Ukraine on Sunday as Poland’s president traveled to Kyiv to support the country’s European Union aspirations, becoming the first foreign leader to address the Ukrainian parliament since the start of the war.

Lawmakers gave a standing ovation to President Andrzej Duda, who thanked them for the honor of speaking where “the heart of a

free, independent and democratic Ukraine beats.” Duda received more applause when he said that to end the conflict, Ukraine did not need to submit to conditions given by Russian President Vladimir Putin.

“Unfortunately, in Europe there have also been disturbing voices in recent times demanding that Ukraine yield to Putin’s demands,” he said. “I want to say clearly: Only Ukraine has the right to decide about its future. Only Ukraine has the right to decide for itself.”

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Preserving history in Hartford

Emanuel Lutheran Church and a Frog Hollow neighborhood revitalization group unite to rebuild a historic Hartford property for Habitat for Humanity. **CONNECTICUT, PAGE 1**

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edging that at some point, firefighters, EMTs and police are likely to need help facing extraordinary pressures.

“Our line of work takes a toll on somebody. Over the last five years, talks about mental health and well-being have taken a forefront like cancer screening and prevention,” said Chief Mark Worsman of the New Hartford Fire Department, who is president of the Connecticut Fire Chiefs Association.

“It’s very critical that we offer services to all (fire department) members. It not only affects the firehouse or the ambulance or the police station, it also affects their family.”

“It seems in the last five to six years that the mental health and well-being of (first) responders had become more of a subject that people are paying attention to,

and addiction is part of that,” said Chief Robert Duval of the Atwood Hose Fire Company in Plainfield. “Addiction is an offshoot of people struggling.”

As the immediate past president of the Connecticut Fire Chiefs Association, Duval said stress among fire responders has risen since early 2020.

“The pandemic didn’t help. The workload has ramped up. For some, it doubled overnight. People are struggling,” Duval said. “They’re asked to do a lot more but don’t have the relief that someone working from home does.”

Firefighters around Connecticut were shaken by news last week that seven veteran New Britain Fire Department members had been demoted and reassigned because of cliques that were allegedly trading drugs — and sometimes using them — at firehouses.

The demotions came after the city fired a lieutenant who it concluded had lied about illegally

providing Adderall and other drugs to Firefighter Matt Dizney, who died Jan. 26 of an apparent overdose. Dizney, 36, left two children.

Mayor Erin Stewart was meeting Friday afternoon with union leaders to try to advance a long-stalled policy for mandatory drug testing.

Jeff Dill, director of the Firefighter Behavioral Health Alliance, said that only very recently has the country’s fire service become more willing to talk about drug misuse. Excessive drinking is still vastly more prevalent, he said, and more fire chiefs, city leaders, insurers and others are open to seeing misused prescriptions and illegal drugs as a problem, too.

“I founded this in 2010, and early on we got bashed. People were saying we made up the suicide statistics. They were saying ‘PTSD is only a military thing,’” Dill said, a licensed counselor and retired Illinois fire captain. “I don’t know why

this catches people by surprise. In addition to the stressors on the job, firefighters can have stress in the family and personal lives.

“Drugs are not the leading aspect of what we deal with. The number one reason for suicide is marital and family relations, but addictions are in the top 10. Of course there’s alcohol, then you look at gambling or prescription drugs, now heroin or cocaine.

“It all falls back to cultural brainwashing: We’re supposed to act brave, strong, courageous; we don’t seek help; we handle our issues; we don’t let anyone see our pain.”

As chief of the behavioral health service for Las Vegas Fire & Rescue and its 700 firefighters and civilian workers, Dill has concluded that one of the best things a community can do for its fire service is provide a strong EAP and meaningful rehabilitation when people need it.

“We’re starting to see treatment centers specific to first responders. That’s important. We didn’t

used to have that,” he said. “I’m a firm believer in rehabs for drugs or alcohol that provide 60 to 90 days. You need that to get them off those addictions.

“If you go in for 30 days, you could need eight to 10 just to detox. That leaves just 20 to get at the problem and change the behaviors. I think we’re setting up our people to fail if we have insurance that only covers 30 days.”

Worsman emphasized that a solid EAP — with guaranteed confidentiality — is also crucial.

“For that system, the expectation has to be that what someone says (to a counselor) doesn’t go out of the room,” Worsman said.

“We want police and fire departments to know they can’t let it build up until someone snaps, causes an accident or something worse. We need to tell our people, ‘We’re here for you. We want to support your brothers and sisters. We have a great organization, but we can’t have it without great people.’ ”

Ukraine

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Duda’s visit, his second to Kyiv since April, came as Russian and Ukrainian forces battled along a 342-mile wedge of the country’s eastern industrial heartland.

After declaring full control of a seaside steel plant that was the last defensive holdout in the port city of Mariupol, Russia launched artillery and missile attacks in the region, known as the Donbas, seeking to expand the territory that Moscow-backed separatists have held since 2014.

To bolster its defenses, Ukraine’s parliament voted Sunday to extend martial law and the mobilization of armed forces for a third time, until Aug. 23.

Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelenskyy has stressed that the 27-member EU should expedite his country’s request to join the bloc as soon as possible due to the invasion. Ukraine’s potential candidacy is set to be discussed at a Brussels summit in late June.

France’s European Affairs minister Clement Beaune on Sunday told Radio J it would be a “long time” before Ukraine gains EU membership, estimating it could take up to two decades. “We have to be honest,” he said. “If you say Ukraine is going to join the EU in six months, or a year or two,



The bridge connecting the city of Lysychansk with the city of Severodonetsk in the eastern Ukrainian region of Donbas was destroyed during Russia’s invasion of Ukraine. ARIS MESSINIS/GETTY-AFP

you’re lying.”

But Poland is ramping up efforts to win over other EU members who are more hesitant about accepting the war-ravaged country into the bloc. Zelenskyy said Duda’s visit represented a “historic union” between Ukraine, which declared independence from the Soviet Union in 1991, and Poland, which ended communist rule two years earlier.

“This is really a historic opportunity not to lose such strong relations, built through blood, through Russian aggression,” Zelenskyy

said. “All this not to lose our state, not to lose our people.”

Poland has welcomed millions of Ukrainian refugees and become a gateway for Western humanitarian aid and weapons going into Ukraine. It is also a transit point into Ukraine for some foreign fighters, including from Belarus, who have volunteered to fight the Russian forces.

“Despite the great destruction, despite the terrible crime and great suffering that the Ukrainian people suffered every day, the Russian invaders did not break you. They

failed at it. And I believe deeply that they will never succeed,” Duda told the Verkhovna Rada, Ukraine’s legislature.

Duda also credited the U.S. and President Joe Biden for unifying the West in supporting Ukraine and imposing sanctions against Moscow.

“Kyiv is the place from which one clearly sees that we need more America in Europe, both in the military and in this economic dimension,” said Duda, a right-wing populist leader who clearly preferred former President Donald Trump over Biden during the 2020 election.

On the battlefield, Russia appeared to have made slow grinding moves forward in the Donbas in recent days. It intensified efforts to capture Sievierodonetsk, the main city under Ukrainian control in Luhansk province, which together with Donetsk province makes up the Donbas. The Ukrainian military said Sunday that Russian forces had mounted an unsuccessful attack on Oleksandrivka, a village outside of Sievierodonetsk.

Sieverodonetsk came under heavy shelling, and Luhansk Gov. Serhii Haidai said the Russians were “simply intentionally trying to destroy the city ... engaging in a scorched-earth approach.” Haidai said Moscow was concentrating forces and weaponry there to try

to win control of Luhansk, bringing in forces from Kharkiv to the northwest, Mariupol to the south, and from inside Russia.

In Enerhodar, a Russian-held city northwest of Mariupol, an explosion Sunday injured the Moscow-appointed mayor at his residence, Ukrainian and Russian news agencies reported. Ukraine’s Unian news agency said a bomb planted by “local partisans” wounded Andrei Shevchuk, 48, whose home is near the Zaporizhzhia Nuclear Power Plant, which is Europe’s largest and employs many Enerhodar residents.

With Russia claiming to have taken prisoner nearly 2,500 Ukrainian fighters from the Mariupol steel plant, concerns grew about their fate and the future facing the remaining residents of the city, now in ruins with more than 20,000 feared dead.

Relatives of the fighters have pleaded for them to be given rights as prisoners of war and eventually returned to Ukraine. Deputy Prime Minister Iryna Vereshchuk said Saturday that Ukraine “will fight for the return” of every one of them.

The complete seizure of the Azovstal steel plant, a symbol of Ukrainian tenacity, gave Putin a badly wanted victory in the war he began nearly three months ago, on Feb. 24.

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WAR IN UKRAINE

Moscow signals plans for addition to ‘family’

Russia looks toward annexing parts of southeast Ukraine

By Marc Santora, Ivan Nechepurenko and Norimitsu Onishi
The New York Times

KRAKOW, Poland — Fresh from its triumph over the last armed Ukrainian resistance in the devastated city of Mariupol, Russia appeared to be laying the groundwork for annexing swaths of southeast Ukraine, described by a high-ranking Kremlin official as having a “worthy place in our Russian family.”

Marat Khusnullin, Russia’s deputy prime minister for infrastructure, recently toured the region and outlined plans to take full control of vital infrastructure, including Europe’s largest nuclear power plant, as Russia fortified its defensive positions there and exerted its authority over the local population.

“I came here to provide maximum opportunities for integration,” Khusnullin was quoted by Russian news media as saying.

In a further sign Moscow

was preparing to push for the Russification of the region — the way it has in Crimea since seizing it from Ukraine in 2014 — Russian officials have moved to introduce the ruble, install proxy politicians in local governments, impose new school curriculums, reroute internet servers through Russia and cut the population off from Ukrainian broadcasts.

Khusnullin said Russia even intended to charge Ukraine for electricity generated by the Ukrainian nuclear plant that Russian forces commandeered in the early weeks of the invasion — a plan Ukraine described as extortion.

But even as the Russian authorities projected control over a Ukrainian region that is culturally close to Russia, President Vladimir Putin appears to be punishing military subordinates for blunders in the invasion that started in February.

A report by Britain’s defense intelligence agency suggested the Kremlin was conducting a purge of senior commanders deemed responsible for the failures of Russia’s initial strategy to seize much more Ukraine territory, including the capi-

tal, Kyiv, and second-largest city, Kharkiv. The report raised the question of whether Putin retained faith in his chief of the general staff, Valery Gerasimov.

The Russians have said nothing about any changes in the military leadership.

Russia’s new, narrower strategy of focusing on Ukraine’s east has proved more successful than its initially greater aims, even as its forces have retreated in the northeast and struggled to gain ground in the eastern Donbas region.

Following the longest battle of the war, Russian soldiers completed their capture of Mariupol after having seized control of the sprawling Azovstal steel plant. Over 700 fighters from the Azov Regiment, who had made a final stand against the Russians from the plant, surrendered between Wednesday and Thursday, according to the Russian Defense Ministry. On Friday, Russia’s state news agency RIA Novosti quoted the ministry as saying 2,439 Ukrainian fighters who had been holed up at the steelworks had surrendered since Monday.

The Kremlin has been

using the mass surrender for propaganda purposes, describing its captives as terrorists and Nazi war criminals, and framing the conquest of Mariupol as a turning point in the conflict.

Although much of Mariupol is ruined, its capture is expected to bring Russia benefits. It will complete a land bridge between the Russian-controlled Crimean Peninsula to the south and the adjoining Donbas region, where pro-Russian separatists have battled Ukrainian forces since 2014.

With Mariupol captured, Russian troops are free to help entrench Russia’s authority over the rest of the eastern region — well short of Moscow’s initial push to control all of Ukraine, but strong leverage in any future peace negotiations.

The shift in Russian tactics reflects not only the resilient Ukrainian defense, but also the nagging command, logistics and morale problems that continue to bedevil Russian commanders, especially in the Donbas, a senior Pentagon official said on condition of anonymity.

The southern region under Russian control

covers a vast expanse that includes Ukraine’s agricultural heartland and several key ports. Along with Russia’s naval domination in the Black Sea, annexation would tighten Moscow’s stranglehold on the Ukrainian economy and solidify its blockade of Ukraine’s southern coast.

The Ukrainians have accused Russia of forcibly deporting thousands to Russia and witnesses have described increasingly repressive efforts to enforce Russian rule.

The Kremlin has sought to portray its actions as reflecting popular will. Kremlin spokesman Dmitry Peskov appeared to play down Khusnullin’s statements signaling annexation, saying only locals could decide.

But in a move some analysts saw as reflecting confusion within the Russian leadership about how to secure Ukrainian areas seized by Russia, a group of lawmakers Thursday submitted a bill that would allow Putin to establish “temporary administrations on territories where Russia’s army conducts military operations.”

Moscow’s announce-

ments were also part of a propaganda campaign aimed at conveying control over areas where its grip is less solid. Military analysts have said Russia’s forces could still face Ukrainian uprisings and counteroffensives.

Russia’s invasion, spearheaded by a rapid advance of tanks and helicopters, ultimately led to many Russian casualties, including some senior generals on the battlefield. The finger-pointing has started, Britain’s defense intelligence agency said in its Thursday report.

It said the commander of the elite 1st Guards Tank Army, Lt. Gen. Serhiy Kisel, had been suspended for failure to capture Kharkiv, where Ukrainian forces drove the invaders back toward the Russian border 40 miles away.

The British agency also reported that the commander of Russia’s Black Sea fleet, Vice Adm. Igor Osipov, had likely been suspended following the April sinking of the fleet’s flagship, the cruiser Moskva. Asked about the report, a senior Pentagon official said the commander had been dismissed.

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platform. They had only met in person about four times.

Now, they’re like sisters.

Wood received a kidney from Herbston Aug. 11 at Hartford Hospital. Wood said she feels “phenomenal” now, and Herbst said she doesn’t miss that kidney at all. Neither has had complications.

“People call me a hero, but I don’t look at myself that way,” Herbst said. “To me it was just natural. ... I wanted to give her a second chance. He (son Brady) deserved his mom, and she deserved to see him grow up.”

While it may not have technically been a “perfect match,” said Hartford Hospital transplant surgeon Dr. Oscar Serrano, the success of the surgery is a testament to Herbst’s good health and the fact that Wood is young, had a living donor and hadn’t been on dialysis.

“Living donors are the super athletes of patients,” said Serrano, who was Herbst’s doctor and is also director of the Center for Living donations. “We have great outcomes for complete strangers.”

The women named the transplanted kidney



Jennifer Wood, of South Windsor, who received a lifesaving kidney transplant from her friend and colleague Brooke Herbst, is pictured here with her son, Brady, 3, and husband, Adam Wood. COURTESY

“Oscar,” after the surgeon, and Serrano said, “I think it’s very flattering, but I hope they named it for the uniqueness of the name.” It’s not the first time a kidney has been named for him,

Serrano said.

The pivotal conversation between Wood and Herbst began when Wood poured her fears out one day after doctors stressed the urgency for a transplant.

Herbst reassured her friend, “I’ll be your unicorn,” a reference to the “magic” of the mythical creature, as well as an inside work joke.

At that moment Herbst wasn’t sure what form that unicorn would take — whether it would be testing to be a donor herself or helping to find one.

As a breast cancer survivor, Herbst wasn’t even sure she was eligible to be a donor, and she hadn’t yet run it by her husband and two children, a son, 24 and a daughter, 19.

When told the past cancer wouldn’t preclude her from becoming a donor because she didn’t undergo chemotherapy or radiation, Herbst went through the rigorous testing process.

To their surprise, she was a match. Serrano said their blood types were compatible, as well as other factors.

“It was one of the best days of my life,” Wood said of getting the call from Herbst. “I can’t fathom someone donating an organ, let alone someone I know over a computer.”

It’s been almost a year now since the transplant, and both women are thriving. Wood, while still working on stamina, hasn’t had any hospitalizations or other issues as is often the case.

Wood was born with kidney disease

Wood was born with polycystic kidney disease, which causes cysts that “grow and grow” until the kidneys fail, she said.

Wood lived a normal childhood, she said, but developed high blood pressure at about age 12.

Her kidneys declined as a result of becoming pregnant with Brady, who will soon turn 4.

Her blood pressure escalated with the pregnancy, leading to preeclampsia and so her son — named after football great Tom Brady — was delivered at 25 weeks, 4 days gestation, weighing just 1 pound, 4 ounces.

Brady, now healthy, spent 135 days in the neonatal intensive care unit.

Wood had 70% kidney function when she became pregnant and lost 40% more while pregnant, she said.

In 2020 doctors told Wood her kidneys were declining and she would need a transplant sooner than they expected.

“It took me a long time to build up the courage to tell my story,” she said. Then she announced it on Facebook.

Her mom and uncle had the same condition but didn’t

need transplants until age 50. “When it came so early, it was a shock to me,” Wood said.

Herbst too was scared because any surgery carries a risk, she said and “I thought to myself, ‘how is my family going to react?’ ”

Herbst said she “flipped it around” and asked rhetorically if they would like someone to do it for her if she was in that position.

Scared, Herbst wrote cards to her children and husband and hid them — just in case she didn’t make it.

Wood said she didn’t realize just how sick she had been until after the transplant.

“I woke up from surgery and felt like a whole new person. ... It was incredible,” Wood said.

Herbst noticed Wood’s improvement when she saw her in the hospital hours after surgery.

“Immediately you could see her color was better,” Herbst said.

The colleagues had become close friends working together remotely, but now they call themselves “sisters,” and Herbst reminds Wood, “Yeah, I’ll be with you for life.”

Wood said of her friend, “She’s my guardian angel. I know that she’ll be in my life forever.”

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state can sell itself as below the stratospheric costs of urban centers such as Boston and San Francisco.

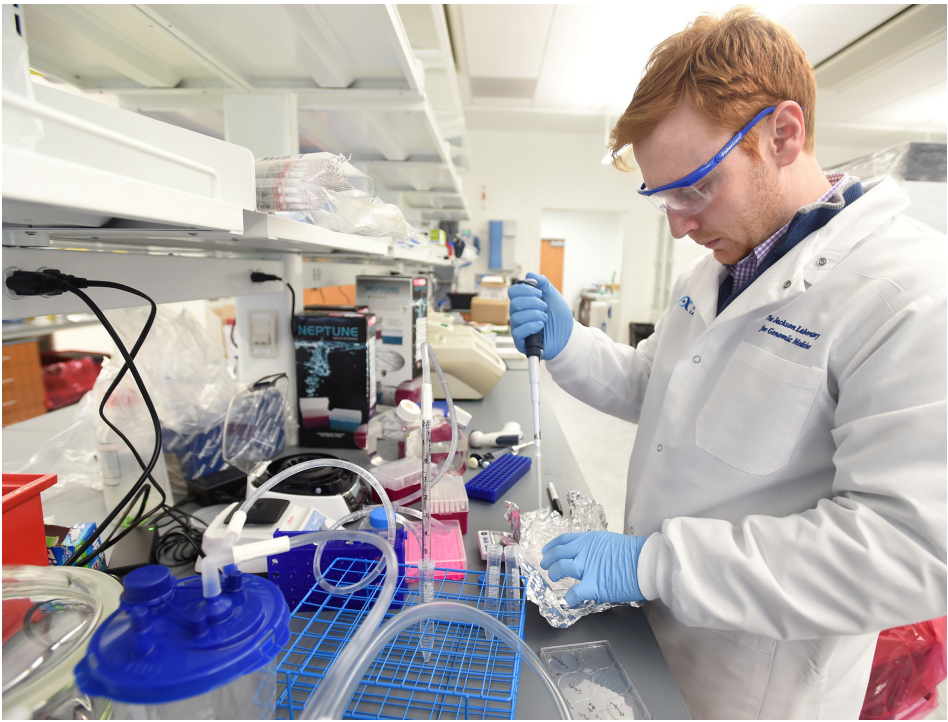
And further development of Tweed New Haven Airport will provide more links to investors, researchers and entrepreneurs.

New Haven the ‘most like America’

The region’s diverse population could also play a role promoting the life science industry. David Rosenthal, adjunct professor at the Yale School of Medicine and chief medical officer at Tessa Health Inc., a Guilford health technology company, cited six-year-old data touting New Haven as demographically representative of the United States as a rare marketing opportunity.

By age, educational attainment and race and ethnicity, the New Haven-Milford region is the “most like America” among U.S. cities, Jed Kolko, under secretary of commerce for economic affairs, said in a 2016 analysis of Census and other data and published by Five Thirty Eight.

“There are lots of reasons to care deeply about places that are demographically different from today’s America,” Kolko wrote. “Some of those places may turn out to be bellwethers for a future America that will be



Cardiologist Dr. Travis Hinson washes stained myocytes in the laboratory at Jackson Laboratory for Genomic Medicine in Farmington. COURANT FILE

older, more educated and more racially and ethnically diverse than today; and some of those places are especially deserving of public attention and investment because they’re worse off than most other places.”

Rosenthal said the New Haven-to-Milford region’s life science community can market itself as the home of a diverse population that gives medical specialists numerous opportunities for clinical testing and research.

“We have a richness here that is unlike Boston, unlike New York, unlike San Francisco,” he told participants at the Yale forum.

In an interview, Rosenthal said the state and others with a stake in Connecticut’s life science industry have not publicized the importance of the region’s diverse population to medical research. For example, he said, some pulse oximeters that measure oxygen levels in the blood can fail to accurately measure low oxygen levels among Black people. A study has shown this can delay proper treatment.

And hospitals can calculate kidney functions differently because a system bias was built into an algorithm, Rosenthal said.

“It matters to have a

diverse sample size in research,” he said. “You might (otherwise) make inequalities worse.”

Capping pharma prices ‘anathema’ to the industry

A report by AdvanceCT says life science establishments in Connecticut number 1,000, support 23,600 jobs and generate \$6 billion in economic output. Pharmaceutical and biotechnology venture capital funding in 2021 was \$700 million, more than double the amount in 2019.

Paul Pescatello, executive director of the Connecticut Bioscience Growth Council of the Connecticut Business & Industry Association, said the state has done a good job promoting bioscience industry growth. But legislation that proposed capping pharmaceutical prices would have undermined those efforts, he said.

The legislation, which critics said would have undermined innovation by hindering drug companies from recouping investments, failed to advance in the legislature before it adjourned May 4.

“If you’re trying to attract an industry, why would you push a policy that’s anathema to them?” Pescatello said. “You’re working against yourself in marketing the state.”

State Sen. Christine Cohen, D-Guilford and co-chair of the legislature’s Bioscience Caucus, said pharmaceutical companies expressed “concerns,” but lawmakers also hear from consumers who are struggling with costly drugs.

“It’s always a balance,” she said.

Bringing Jackson Lab to Connecticut

Elected officials, entrepreneurs and others pulled levers of government, private investment and health care and research institutions to establish a life science industry in Connecticut.

Then-Gov. Dannel P. Malloy brought Jackson Laboratory, a Maine research center focusing on the genome — the set of genes or genetic material in a cell or organ — to Farmington in 2012 to draw high-skill, well-paid jobs to the state. The General Assembly has established a \$200 million Bioscience Innovation Fund to foster innovation in smaller companies, and investor tax credits were enacted into law.

In addition, Connecticut Innovations, the state’s venture capital fund, has invested about \$129 million in more than 80 companies and projects with \$1.7 billion leveraged in New Haven County health care companies since 2012, said Lauren Carmody, vice president of marketing and communications.

And researchers and entrepreneurs in shoreline communities and New Haven have spun off numerous life science businesses from work at Yale University and Yale New Haven Hospital.

The industry’s presence in Connecticut is “fairly new” but has grown quickly, Cohen said, with more than two dozen bioscience companies operating just in Branford.

“We witnessed an overcrowding of bubbles like Cambridge and people started to look for new places to settle in,” she said.

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Black trauma and despair run deep

Buffalo's wounds will need strong salve, residents say

By Aaron Morrison
Associated Press

BUFFALO, N.Y. — Shenaya Ann Washington and a close friend cleared a small patch of grass at the base of a utility pole on Riley Street. They dug a hole there and planted a red rose bush seedling. Next to it, they leaned 10 prayer candles against the pole.

Washington said she chose that spot to memorialize the victims of the May 14 massacre at Tops Friendly Market because it is closest to the store entrance she had always used as a part-time worker for Instacart, the grocery delivery service.

Sometimes when she would exit the store, Aaron Salter Jr., the slain retired police officer who worked security at Tops, would help Washington back to her car with the grocery orders, she said.

The shooter, whose racist attack deeply wounded east Buffalo's Black community, has stolen much more than the neighborhood's only grocery store and the sense of peace many residents felt in the cherished community gathering spot.

"He took away people who did for the community, just because of the color of their skin. It's an eye opener. It's a reality check," Washington said.

During Sunday service, Pastor Russell Bell of the State Tabernacle Church of God in Christ, where shooting victim Heyward Patterson was a deacon, promised his congregation that they would hold a celebration of



Children walk in a street May 15 near the scene of the Buffalo, New York, supermarket shooting the day prior. **MATT ROURKE/AP**

his life. Bell also encouraged his predominantly Black flock to lean into their faith.

"We're going to be winners if we endure to the end," he said.

Just over a week ago, a white gunman in body armor killed 10 Black shoppers and workers at the supermarket that has been temporarily closed. Three others were injured in the attack, which federal authorities are investigating as a hate crime.

Long before that 18-year-old avowed white supremacist inflicted terror in this community, Buffalo's Black neighborhoods, like many others around the nation, had been dealing with wounds that are generations

old. The attack has scraped off the scab hiding Black trauma and neglect that sit just below the surface in what's called the City of Good Neighbors, residents, business owners and faith leaders said.

Healing will require not only an immediate flood of charity, but also systemic solutions, economic investments and mental health counseling that are long-lasting, they said.

"It's been great to see the outpouring of support, I must say that," said Jackie Stover-Stitts, co-owner of Golden Cup Coffee, about a block from the Tops on Jefferson Avenue.

For the past few days, the atmosphere around her

shop had been festival-like and, at times, a somber space of mourning. Organizations from across the nation, and even a few global charities, offered food and other essential goods to residents who relied on Tops to meet their basic needs.

"The only concern is that it's not short lived," Stover-Stitts said. "It would mean more if we could see, on Monday, that all those people with funds that came down to say how sorry they were could show it by investing in our area."

Buffalo, with a population of 255,000 that is 47% white, 35% Black, 12% Hispanic and 6% Asian, is one of the nation's most racially segregated

cities. The neighborhoods around the Tops market are predominantly Black and impoverished.

Last week, civil rights leader the Rev. Al Sharpton pointed to racial and socioeconomic inequality that made the Tops a target for the shooter, who officials say drove hundreds of miles to find Black people to gun down.

"If there wasn't but one supermarket in the Black community, he wouldn't have gone to Tops," Sharpton said at a prayer vigil held in Buffalo for the victims' families on Thursday.

"If you can figure out how to get millions of dollars for a stadium, can't you figure out how to get a supermarket?"

Sharpton added, referring to a new \$1.4 billion home turf planned for the Buffalo Bills that will be funded largely by taxpayers.

La'Tryse Anderson of Buffalo SNUG, a gun violence prevention organization, canvassed the neighborhood around the Tops with other volunteers to get a sense of residents' needs. Some told her they needed groceries, toiletries, replacement appliances and even a utility bill paid.

"I wish I had a magic wand," she said. "There were so many needs out here, before this (shooting) happened."

Without real investments in the areas that surround the Tops, Anderson said, "I don't think we'll ever fully heal from this."

Residents will definitely need the option of another supermarket, as some have vowed to never set foot in that Tops location again, she added. They are too traumatized.

Reshawna Chapple, a Black therapist and associate professor in the School of Social Work at the University of Central Florida, said the shock and grief caused by the supermarket shooting are made worse when people are not tending to their mental health. Systemic racism is part of the reason why too few in the Black community seek mental health counseling, either on a regular basis or in the wake of tragedy, she said.

"Every time something like this happens, it opens up the wounds all over again," Chapple said. "We aren't taught to acknowledge feelings that are negative. The ones who need help the most are definitely not going to ask for it."

Biden pushes economic, security issues in SKorea

President touts pledge by Hyundai, visits military base

By Josh Boak and Aamer Madhani
Associated Press

SEOUL, South Korea — President Joe Biden tended to both business and security interests Sunday as he wrapped up a three-day trip to South Korea, first showcasing Hyundai's pledge to invest at least \$10 billion in the United States and later mingling with troops at a nearby military base.

Biden's visit to Osan Air Base, where thousands of U.S. and South Korean service members monitor the rapidly evolving North Korean nuclear threat, was his final stop before he arrived in Tokyo later Sunday.

"You are the front line, right here in this room," the president said in a command center with maps of the Korean Peninsula projected across screens on a wall.

It was a day that brought together two key messages that Biden is trying to project during his first trip to Asia as president.

At a time of high inflation and simmering dissatisfaction at home, Biden empha-

sized his global mission to strengthen the American economy by convincing foreign companies like Hyundai to launch new operations in the United States. And he wanted to demonstrate solidarity with nervous Asian allies who live in the shadow of North Korea's nuclear weapons and grew skeptical of U.S. security commitments while former President Donald Trump was in office.

Earlier Sunday, Biden brushed aside questions about any possible provocation by North Korea, such as testing a nuclear weapon or ballistic missile during his trip, saying, "We are prepared for anything North Korea does."

Asked if he had a message for the country's leader, Kim Jong Un, Biden offered a clipped response: "Hello. Period."

It was another sharp departure from Trump, who once said he "fell in love" with Kim.

Biden's first appearance of the day was alongside Hyundai chairman Euisun Chung to highlight the company's expanded investment in the U.S., including \$5.5 billion for an electric vehicle and battery factory in Georgia.

"Electric vehicles are good for our climate goals,

but they're also good for jobs," Biden said. "And they're good for business."

Chung also said his company would spend another \$5 billion on artificial intelligence for autonomous vehicles and other technologies.

Hyundai's Georgia factory is expected to employ 8,100 workers and produce up to 300,000 vehicles annually, with plans for construction to begin early next year and production to start in 2025 near the unincorporated town of Ellabell.

Biden passed on visiting the demilitarized zone on the North and South's border, a regular stop for U.S. presidents when visiting Seoul. Biden had visited the DMZ as vice president and was more interested in seeing Osan Air Base, said White House national security adviser Jake Sullivan.

While on base, Biden chatted with the troops and their families at the bowling alley and indulged his passion for ice cream — twice over. First chocolate chip, then vanilla and chocolate.

During the Japan leg of Biden's trip, he will meet with Prime Minister Fumio Kishida on Monday and lay out his vision for negotiating a new trade agreement,



U.S. President Joe Biden eats ice cream during a visit with American service members on Sunday at Osan Air Base in Pyeongtaek, South Korea. **EVAN VUCCI/AP**

the Indo-Pacific Economic Framework.

Biden is expected to come out with a list of nations that will join the long-anticipated Indo-Pacific trade pact, but Taiwan won't be among them.

Sullivan confirmed that Taiwan isn't among the governments signed up for the launch of the pact that's meant to allow the U.S. to work more closely with key Asian economies on issues such as supply chains, digital trade, clean energy and anticorruption. Inclusion of the self-ruled island of

Taiwan, which China claims as its own, would have irked Beijing.

"We are looking to deepen our economic partnership with Taiwan including on high technology issues, including on semiconductor supply," Sullivan said. "But we're pursuing that in the first instance on a bilateral basis."

Soon after arriving in Tokyo on Sunday, Biden stopped by the U.S. chief of mission's residence to take part in a room dedication for Norman Mineta, the late U.S. transportation secretary.

Mineta, a former Democratic congressman who served in the Cabinets of both George W. Bush and Bill Clinton, died earlier this month. He was the son of Japanese immigrants, and he and his family were among those held by the U.S. government in Japanese interment camps during World War II.

On Tuesday, Japan hosts Biden at a summit for the Quad, a four-country strategic alliance that also includes Australia and India. The U.S. president will then return to Washington.



Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack, left, greets crew members of a plane that delivered infant formula Sunday at Indianapolis International Airport in Indianapolis. **MICHAEL CONROY/AP**

78,000 pounds of infant formula arrives in US

By Michael Conroy
Associated Press

INDIANAPOLIS — A military plane carrying enough specialty infant formula for more than half a million baby bottles arrived Sunday in Indianapolis, the first of several flights expected from Europe aimed at relieving a shortage that has sent parents scrambling to find enough to feed their children.

President Joe Biden authorized the use of

Air Force planes for the effort, dubbed "Operation Fly Formula" because no commercial flights were available.

The formula weighed 78,000 pounds, White House press secretary Karine Jean-Pierre told reporters aboard Air Force One as Biden flew from South Korea to Japan.

Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack was in Indianapolis to greet the arrival of the first shipment.

The flights are intended to

provide "some incremental relief in the coming days" as the government works on a more lasting response to the shortage, Brian Deese, director of the White House National Economic Council, said Sunday.

Deese told CNN's "State of the Union" that Sunday's flight brought 15% of the specialty medical grade formula needed in the U.S., and because of various actions by the government, people should see "more formula in stores starting as

early as this week."

Longer term, he said, the U.S. needs more formula providers "so that no individual company has this much control over supply chains."

The Biden administration has struggled to address the nationwide shortage of formula, particularly hypoallergenic varieties. The crisis follows the closure of the nation's largest domestic manufacturing plant in Michigan in February due to safety issues.



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NEWS BRIEFING

NM wildfire evacuees fret about their future as finances run low

From news services

MORA, N.M. — As more than 2,700 firefighters in northern New Mexico continued to battle the nation's largest active wild-fire Sunday, many evacuees were growing concerned about their future after weeks away from home.

The biggest fire in the state's recorded history has been burning for six weeks, and some of the hundreds forced to evacuate say their financial resources are dwindling.

Amity Maes, 30, a Mora resident who said she is 8 1/2 months pregnant and penniless, told the Santa Fe New Mexican that she bounced around for weeks before finding shelter at an evacuation center in Glorieta, where she believes she contracted COVID-19.

Officials at Glorieta Adventure Camps said there have been 67 coronavirus cases among evacuees, including some that required hospitalization.

After her isolation period, Maes said she was urged to leave and go to a hotel in Santa Fe where she could be closer to a hospital if she went into labor. But the hotel didn't have her reservation when she arrived, and when she finally got a room, it was only for one night.

"They keep encouraging us to go to Albuquerque" where evacuees are being housed in hotels, Maes told the newspaper. "We don't have gas. We don't have no income. There's no gas vouchers. There's no anything. I'm on a quarter-tank of gas, and I don't know what I'm going to do."

The Glorieta retreat center has housed hundreds of people this month and hosted a dozen organizations providing services and resources to evacuees. But it is scheduled to close its shel-

ter this week to prepare for its annual summer camps.

Staffers are trying to ensure the center's guests have a place to go when the doors close, but some families are uncertain where they will land.

Heather Nordquist, who has been engaged in issues affecting northern New Mexico residents, said evacuees' needs are not being met. She has collected about \$3,000 in donations, which she has used for food, gift and gas cards, and supplies for evacuees.

"I am so deeply discouraged that our tax dollars aren't finding their way to these evacuees," she told the New Mexican.

The wildfire remained 40% contained around its perimeter Sunday.

Gasoline prices: The average U.S. price of regular-grade gasoline spiked 33 cents over the past two weeks to \$4.71 per gallon.

Industry analyst Trilby Lundberg of the Lundberg Survey said Sunday that the average price at the pump is \$1.61 higher than it was one year ago.

Nationwide, the highest average price for regular-grade gas is in the San Francisco Bay Area, at \$6.20 per gallon. The lowest average is in Tulsa, Okla., at \$3.92 per gallon. The average price of diesel rose 9 cents over two weeks, to \$5.66 a gallon.

Southern Baptists report: Leaders of the Southern Baptist Convention, America's largest Protestant denomination, stonewalled and denigrated survivors of clergy sex abuse over almost two decades while seeking to protect their own reputations, according to a scathing 288-page investigative report issued Sunday.

These survivors, and other concerned South-



Taliban order: TV anchor Khaterah Ahmadi wears a face covering as she reads the news Sunday on TOLO NEWS in Kabul, Afghanistan. Taliban rulers began enforcing an order issued Thursday requiring all female news anchors in the country to cover their faces while on-air. The move is part of a hard-line shift drawing condemnation from rights activists. **EBRAHIM NOROOZI/AP**

ern Baptists, repeatedly shared allegations with the SBC's Executive Committee, "only to be met, time and time again, with resistance, stonewalling and even outright hostility from some within the EC," said the report.

The seven-month investigation was conducted by Guidepost Solutions, an independent firm contracted by the Executive Committee after delegates to last year's national meeting pressed for a probe by outsiders.

The Executive Committee is set to hold a special meeting Tuesday to discuss the report.

COVID-19 cases: The pandemic is "most certainly not over," the head of the World Health Organization warned Sunday, despite a decline in reported cases since the peak of the omicron wave.

The U.N. health agency's director-general, Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus, told

officials gathered in Geneva for opening of the WHO's annual meeting that "declining testing and sequencing means we are blinding ourselves to the evolution of the virus."

He also noted that almost 1 billion people in lower-income countries have not been vaccinated.

In a weekly report Thursday on the global situation, WHO said the number of new COVID-19 cases appears to have stabilized after weeks of decline since late March, while the overall number of weekly deaths dropped.

While there has been progress, with 60% of the world's population vaccinated, "it's not over anywhere until it's over everywhere," he said.

Peanut butter recall: Consumers should double-check their jars of Jif peanut butter amid a recall, the Food and Drug Administration and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention say.

Jif's creamy, crunchy, natural and reduced fat peanut butters have been linked to a salmonella outbreak across 12 states that has left 14 ill, with two people being hospitalized. Side effects from salmonella poisoning include fever, diarrhea, nausea and vomiting.

The J.M. Smucker Co. announced a voluntary recall of some Jif peanut butter products for potential salmonella contamination. Jars with lot codes 1274425 through 2140425 have been recalled and should be disposed, the company said.

Salmonella cases were reported in Arkansas, Georgia, Illinois, Massachusetts, Missouri, Ohio, North Carolina, New York, South Carolina, Texas, Virginia and Washington state.

Monkeypox: President Joe Biden said Sunday that recent cases of monkeypox that have been identified in Europe and the United States were something "to be concerned about."

In his first public comments on the disease, Biden added: "It is a concern in that if it were to spread, it would be consequential."

Biden was asked about the disease as he spoke to reporters at Osan Air Base in South Korea, where he visited troops before taking off for Japan to continue his first trip to Asia as president.

Jake Sullivan, Biden's national security adviser, told reporters aboard the flight to Tokyo that the United States has a supply of "vaccine that is relevant to treating monkeypox."

Monkeypox is rarely identified outside of Africa, but as of Friday, there were 80 confirmed cases worldwide, including at least two in the U.S., and another 50 suspected ones. A "presumptive" case of monkeypox is being investigated in South Florida, state health officials said Sunday.

Although the disease belongs to the same virus family as smallpox, its symptoms are milder.

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ANALYSIS

In Australia, an echo of Biden’s win

Albanese, a political lifer, also offers shift from conservatism

By Damien Cave
The New York Times

SYDNEY, Australia — The incumbent prime minister, Scott Morrison, pushed Australia to the right and called himself “a bit of a bulldozer.” His Labor challenger, Anthony Albanese, ran as a modest Mr. Fix-It, promising to seek “renewal, not revolution.”

In the end, moderation triumphed. Albanese won Saturday’s election with a campaign that was gaffe-prone and light on policy but promised a more decent form of politics, delivering a stark rejection of Morrison after nearly a decade of conservative leadership.

It was a combination that carried powerful echoes of President Joe Biden’s victory 18 months ago. Albanese and Biden are political lifers, working-class battlers with decades of experience in government and reputations for pragmatic compromise.

But they also both face the problem of how they won. Disgust with an incumbent put them into office. Governing and staying in power require rallying enthusiasm from a fickle public.

“It’s a question of whether he can be a galvanizing leader,” said Paul Strangio, a politics professor at Monash University in Melbourne, Australia. “Whether he can learn on the job.”

In a reflection of Australia’s broader mood of discontent, voters did not just grant Labor a clear victory. They delivered a larger share of their support to minor parties and independents who ran against the political status quo, with a surge of grassroots enthusiasm for candidates demanding more action on climate change and greater accountability



Anthony Albanese, seen Saturday, is the prime minister-elect of Australia after Scott Morrison conceded. RICK RYCROFT/AP

in government.

“What this says is that community can make a difference,” Zoe Daniel, an independent and former journalist who won in Melbourne’s bayside suburbs, said at a victory party Saturday night. “Climate, integrity, equality. We now have a chance to actually make a difference.”

In addition to the victories by independents, minor parties — from the Greens on the left to the United Australia Party on the right — also made gains, delivering what analysts described as a “tipping point” in a country that has been gradually shifting moving away from major party dominance.

“Voters have sent the major parties the message that their support can’t be guaranteed,” said Jill Shepard, a politics professor at the Australian National University.

For Albanese, who has

spent his entire career in Labor Party politics, including 23 years in Parliament, this sea change presents an unexpected challenge.

Contrasting his approach with the pugnacious style of Morrison — who led a government that passed little memorable legislation but successfully managed the early months of the pandemic — Albanese ran a “small target” campaign.

He proposed incremental reforms, including a promise to increase the minimum wage and provide more support for health care, nursing homes and child care. Mostly, though, he focused on altering the tone and style of leadership.

“I want to change politics,” he said after voting Saturday in the Sydney neighborhood where he grew up. “I want to change the way it operates.”

Without a grand, well-defined vision sold to the elec-

torate, some analysts said it would be more difficult for Albanese to make rapid progress on his agenda.

“It doesn’t make it impossible, but governments need momentum,” said Tim Soutphommasane, a politics professor at the University of Sydney.

Some of the issues voters want addressed are unsurprising. The cost of living is rising. Businesses are struggling with labor shortages and wondering when the usual flows of skilled migrant workers will return. The pandemic has revealed gaps in health care and nursing homes.

Bigger questions — about how to bring light to a political system awash in dark money; how to build a less racist, more equal society; or how to counter a more ambitious and belligerent China — were largely sidestepped by Labor and its opponents in the campaign.

“It’s been a very mundane election campaign, but that doesn’t deny the fact that there is still a global pandemic and a war and shifting global power dynamics in the Indo-Pacific,” said Sheppard.

Albanese, 59, arrives with a reputation for building consensus and for nodding toward colleagues in his Cabinet on issues in which they have greater expertise. During the campaign, Penny Wong, who will serve as foreign minister, announced Labor’s plans to expand aid and diplomatic ties to Southeast Asia in an effort to counter Chinese influence.

As if he could sense the need for a bolder policy statement, Albanese opened his acceptance speech Saturday night with a promise to support the Uluru Statement From the Heart, a call from Indigenous Australians to establish a formal role for

Australia’s First Nations people in the Constitution. It was issued in 2017 — and rejected by the conservative coalition.

Albanese also pledged to make equal opportunity for women a national priority, to end Australia’s “climate wars,” which have held back pledges for emissions cuts, and to make the country a renewable energy superpower.

Recognizing increased concern about integrity in government and oversight of public spending, Albanese also promised to quickly pass legislation to create a federal anti-corruption commission, following through on an unfulfilled promise from Morrison in the last election.

Albanese now has to persuade a more fractured and more demanding country to believe in him and stick with him at a time when it is cautiously emerging from two years of COVID-19 isolation, with a surge of coronavirus cases, rising inflation and growing government debt all fueling anxiety.

At the same time, China’s ambitions have become more threatening, with a new security agreement in the Solomon Islands. And the raging bush fires of 2020 have given way to extreme flooding — a relentless reminder of the country’s vulnerability to climate change, even as it remains the world’s largest exporter of coal.

The challenges are colossal. And many analysts note that Albanese lacks the charisma of prior Labor leaders who won elections and moved the country in a new direction.

“It usually takes excitement and a bit of dazzle in a Labor leader to change the government,” said James Curran, a historian at the University of Sydney. “Albanese upsets that historic apple cart.”



Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelenskyy speaks on a screen inside the “Russian War Crimes House” on Sunday near the site of the World Economy Forum. MARKUS SCHREIBER/AP

From climate to war, Davos forum returning to full plate

By Jamey Keaten and Masha Macpherson
Associated Press

DAVOS, Switzerland — Davos, the hub of an elite annual gathering in the Swiss Alps, is back, more than two years after the coronavirus pandemic kept its business gurus, political leaders and high-minded activists away. There’s no shortage of urgent issues for the World Economic Forum’s annual meeting to tackle.

With their lofty ambition to help improve the state of the world, forum organizers have their work cut out for them: There are soaring food and fuel prices, Russia’s war in Ukraine, climate change, drought and food shortages in Africa, yawning inequality between rich and poor, and autocratic regimes gaining ground in some places — on top of signs that the pandemic is far from over.

It’s hard to predict if the high-minded discussions will yield substantial announcements that make headway on the world’s most pressing challenges.

The war in Ukraine will be a key theme. President Volodymyr Zelenskyy

is set to speak on opening day Monday by video from Kyiv, while the country’s foreign minister and a sizable delegation of other top Ukrainian officials will be on hand.

They’ll be joined this week by leaders like German Chancellor Olaf Scholz, U.S. climate envoy John Kerry, NATO Secretary-General Jens Stoltenberg and European Commission President Ursula von der Leyen.

“There’s no business as usual,” forum President Borge Brende said, noting Ukraine is not the only worry. “It is also climate change. It is also that the global growth is slowing, and we have to avoid that this very weak recovery ends with a new recession because we have very limited ammunition to fight a new recession.”

“A new recession will lead to increased unemployment, increased poverty,” he added. “So much is at stake.”

President Vladimir Putin’s war means Russian business and political leaders haven’t been invited to Davos this year. There will be no traditional “Russia House” social festivities with caviar and vodka

spreads for the elite attendees of its evening fun.

Instead, critics — including Ukrainian tycoon Victor Pinchuk and the country’s Foreign Ministry — have seized on some symbolism and vowed to voice their disgust, which is shared by many around the world.

“This year, Russia is not present at Davos, but its crimes will not go unnoticed. The ‘Russia War Crimes House’ takes place inside the former Russia House,” organizers of the rechristened venue said in a news release.

Opening Monday, the venue will feature photos of crimes and cruelties that Russian forces are accused of perpetuating. Some victims will speak out — including Anatoliy Fedoruk, the mayor of Bucha, a town near Kyiv where images of killings of civilians drew outrage worldwide.

“It’s important to understand what is really happening in Ukraine,” said Bjorn Geldhof, artistic director of PinchukArtCentre, which is helping organize the exhibit. “Part of this exhibition is also to bring back a human face to those people who have become victims of these Russian war crimes.”

Gangs strangle Haiti’s capital as deaths, kidnappings soar

By Evens Sanon and Danica Coto
Associated Press

PORT-AU-PRINCE, Haiti — It was about 6 a.m. when Venique Moise flung open the door of her house and saw dozens of people running — their children in one hand and scant belongings in the other — as gunfire intensified.

Minutes later, she joined the crowd with her three kids and fled as fires burned nearby, collapsing homes. Over the coming hours and days, the bodies of nearly 200 men, women and children — shot, burned or mutilated with machetes by warring gangs — were found in that part of Haiti’s capital.

“That Sunday, when the war started, I felt that I was going to die,” Moise said.

Gangs are fighting each other and seizing territory in the capital of Port-au-Prince with a new intensity and brutality. The violence has horrified many who feel the country is swiftly unraveling as it tries to recover from the July 7 assassination of President Jovenel Moise and the United Nations prepares to debate the future of its longtime presence in Haiti.

Experts say the scale and duration of gang clashes, the power criminals wield and the amount of territory they control has reached levels not seen before.

Gangs have forced schools, businesses and hospitals to close as they raid new neighborhoods, seize control of the main roads connecting the capital to the rest of the country and kidnap victims daily, authorities say.

Gangs are recruiting more children than before, arming them with heavy weapons and forming temporary alliances with other gangs in attempts to take over more territory for economic and political gain ahead of the country’s



A man shows on Friday how his home was set on fire during clashes between gangs in Haiti’s capital. ODELYN JOSEPH/AP

general elections, said Jaime Vigil Recinos, the United Nations’ police commissioner in Haiti.

“It’s astonishing,” he said, noting that gang clashes are becoming protracted, ruthless affairs. “We are talking about something that Haiti hasn’t experienced before.”

At least 92 civilians and 96 suspected gang members were killed between April 24 and May 16, with another 113 injured, 12 missing and 49 kidnapped for ransom, according to the U.N. Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights. The office warned that the actual number of people killed “may be much higher.”

Gangs also gang-raped children as young as 10 and set fire to at least a dozen homes, forcing some 9,000 people to flee and seek temporary shelter in churches, public parks and shuttered schools, U.N. officials said.

Bruno Maes, UNICEF’s representative in Haiti, said that one growing concern is the lack of access to basic things like water, food and medicine because people remain trapped in certain areas while gangs continue to fight, noting that malnutrition is on the rise, affect-

ing 1 in 5 children in the Cite Soleil neighborhood alone.

Staff at hospitals and clinics report they’re being stretched thin, with Doctors Without Borders noting that it treated nearly 100 people for gunshot wounds from April 24 to May 7.

Prime Minister Ariel Henry has remained largely quiet amid the escalating gang violence, while Frantz Elbe, Haiti’s new police chief, said dozens of gang members have been arrested and another 94 killed in clashes with police since he took over the department six months ago.

About 1,700 schools have shuttered amid the spike in gang violence — leaving more than half a million children without an education — with the directors of some schools unable to keep paying gangs to ensure students’ safety, the U.N. said.

The ongoing violence and kidnappings have prompted hundreds of Haitians to flee their country, often a deadly move. At least 11 Haitians died and 36 others were rescued when their human smuggling boat overturned near Puerto Rico this month. Dozens of others have died at sea in recent months.

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OPINION

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

We need answers to killing of Bobbi the Bear

I was upset to read about the killing of Bobbi the Bear. She was a beloved bear, well-known in the community [Connecticut, Page 3, “State investigating after black bear was shot and killed in Newtown”]. Was this beloved bear — apparently not a threat for years — suddenly a threat to the off-duty officer? If she wasn’t, why was the bear shot? If the bear needed to be removed, why wasn’t a tranquilizer gun used? And why wasn’t animal control called to handle this matter in a way that the mother bear would not have been killed, leaving two orphan cubs? It doesn’t seem that sensible, reasonable actions were taken to protect the bear. Now there are two cubs that no longer have their mother. The killing of bears in Connecticut is illegal. And killing is warranted only for self-defense.

If proven that this killing was unprovoked and illegal, we hope The Courant reporting gives us the results of the investigation.

Henry J. Krupa Jr., Meriden

Right to life hard-wired into Americans, Mr. Tong

In the May 4 Courant, Attorney General William Tong was quoted as saying the Supreme Court’s draft of a decision that would overturn Roe v. Wade would “carpet-bomb fundamental rights that are hard-wired into who we are as Americans” [Page 1, “Leaked opinion sparks both outrage and praise”]. But the Declaration of Independence asserts that “all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are life...”

Therefore, the right to life is “hard-wired into who we are as Americans.” The writers of the Declaration of Independence and of the Constitution did not assert a right to kill unborn babies. Such a supposed right did not then and does not now exist. Such a “right” is in no way “hard-wired into who we are as Americans.” The killing of our children is not only un-American, it is inhumane and shameful.

Mary E. Regan, Ellington

Which authority should rule on Roe?

I “want” women to have Roe/Casey rights to abortion choice.

But the questions under Supreme Court consideration are, 1) is it within the province of the Supreme Court or state legislatures to make that decision? and 2) where specifically does the Constitution afford such a right to women? Arguments on both sides are compelling and strongly held by their advocates. People generally don’t understand that the issue isn’t about what we want. It’s about which authority is best-suited to make the decision: SCOTUS, 50 independent state legislatures or one U.S. Congress.

JFK’s and LBJ’s solicitor general, Archibald Cox, said, “Roe reads like a set of hospital rules and regulations that neither historian, layman, nor lawyer will be persuaded are part of the Constitution.” A person can agree with Roe as a matter of policy, but be against it as Constitutional law. It’s a tricky matter, and considering the intricacies of that matter juxtaposed to what you believe and want personally is a very challenging exercise.

Terrence Richardson, Glastonbury

Increase font size so we can see the type

In January, you published a New York Times section called “Spending Well.” I was interested in the subject matter, however, the font was extremely small and difficult to read. Every article had loads of white space available to increase the font size. On May 15, a “Traveling Well” section was included. Again, same issue. Even with our glasses, my wife and I cannot read the typeface. Both of the sections went directly into the recycle bin. How many thousands of others have this issue? Such a shame and waste. Thank you for your time.

Dave Bird, New Hartford

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OP-ED

The West’s strong north: Finland, Sweden and NATO

By Bradley D. Woodworth

The prime minister of Sweden, Magdalena Andersson, and the president of Finland, Sauli Niinistö, appeared Thursday outside the White House with President Joe Biden, who voiced his support for the two Scandinavian countries to join NATO. Their citizens are acting to defend a Europe that is “whole, free, and at peace,” he said, adding that the mutual and shared defense commitments within the alliance are central to U.S. defense. “A strong, united NATO is the foundation of America’s security,” Biden said.

For both countries, joining NATO will be a huge break from their past: Sweden has been neutral — not a member of a military alliance — for over 200 years. Finland also was neutral after World War II and even bent over backward not to annoy its eastern neighbor, Russia, with whom it shares an 830-mile border.

Sweden and Finland have complicated, intertwined histories with Russia. As Peter the Great pulled Russia into the modern world in the early 1700s, making it into a strong European state, he did so largely by defeating Sweden, then the superpower in northern Europe. The lands of modern Finland, part of the Kingdom of Sweden from the middle ages on, were seized by Russia in the Napoleonic Wars of the early 1800s and remained part of the Russian Empire until after the Bolshevik Revolution in 1917.

In November 1939, the Soviet Union attacked Finland, invading it in what became known to history as the Winter War. The fighting stopped in March 1940, but Finland lost significant territory, including its second-largest city, Vyborg. Then when Nazi Germany invaded the USSR in June 1941, Finland was pulled on the German side. By the end of World War II, Finns had lost about 96,000 lives, or about 2.5% of the population, and an eighth of its territory.

The Finnish experience in fighting the Soviets — mainly Russians — in World War II is central to Finnish identity. The best-known Finnish novel of the 20th century, Vaino Linna’s “The Unknown Soldier,” has the war as its setting.

After the war, Finland’s neutrality had one purpose: to avoid pressure from the USSR to become like the other countries under Soviet domination such as Poland, East Germany, Czechoslovakia or Hungary. Finnish leaders did not criticize the USSR and even engaged in censorship to ensure the country was not seen as critical of the USSR. A fourth of its foreign trade was with the USSR. The Finns’ willingness to not anger the Soviets was called by many in Europe “Finlandization.”

For new states to join NATO all member states must agree. Among these



Senate Majority Leader Chuck Schumer, from left, Swedish Prime Minister Magdalena Andersson, Finnish President Sauli Niinistö and Senate Minority Leader Mitch McConnell arrive for a meeting Thursday at the U.S. Capitol. Finland and Sweden are moving quickly to try to join NATO in response to Russia’s invasion of Ukraine. **J. SCOTT APPLEWHITE/AP**

30 states, only Turkey has voiced reticence, accusing Sweden and Finland of harboring members of the Kurdistan Workers’ Party, that has carried out guerilla attacks in Turkey. Most analysts believe that Turkey’s concerns will be addressed and the country will allow Finland and Sweden to join NATO. This will be a profound turn in European history: Russia will be even more isolated.

Some argue that by allowing NATO to expand in the 1990s to the countries that had been part of the Soviet-led military alliance known as the Warsaw Pact, Russia was pushed into a defensive posture — that because of a larger NATO, the anti-Western stance of Vladimir Putin is supposedly understandable. I do not believe this view holds water. Near the end of World War II the leaders of the states fighting against Nazi Germany — President Franklin Roosevelt, British Prime Minister Winston Churchill and Soviet leader Joseph Stalin — met at Yalta to establish security arrangements after the expected defeat of Germany. They agreed Germany would be divided into zones of occupation. Stalin said that the countries in Eastern Europe would have free and open elections, but he did not keep this promise. The USSR was permitted to extend its control to an entire swath of countries — Poland; the Soviet occupation zone of Germany, which became East Germany; Czechoslovakia; Hungary; Romania; Bulgaria.

The Soviet empire expanded after World War II. While other European empires after World War II dismantled their empires in following decades — Great Britain, France, the Netherlands — the USSR never decolonized.

And even after the USSR ended in 1991 and broke up into 15 states, a mental decolonization did not occur. The Finns knew that even a post-Soviet Russia was still the Russia that Finland had known for 200 years, and they took part in the

Partnership for Peace program in which non-NATO members collaborated with NATO states. But Finland did not join the alliance. It preferred to manage its relationship with the USSR.

Russia’s unprovoked attack on Ukraine in February changed how the Finns and the Swedes view their security. There were voices in Russia talking about taking more than Ukraine — the Baltic countries of Latvia, Lithuania, and Estonia, even Poland.

It is not the fault of Finland and Sweden that Russian leaders after 1991 were not able to accepted a decolonized Russia. Things were made worse when Russian president Boris Yeltsin chose Vladimir Putin as his replacement. This was a fateful error.

There were others who could have taken Russia in the right direction, such as former Vice Premier Boris Nemtsov, murdered in 2015. For NATO and the U.S. to try to situate their decisions for security so as not to anger Putin would be appeasement — just what Great Britain and France did in 1938 before Hitler’s aggression.

In joining NATO, Finns and Swedes will not be new burdens on U.S. security. Both countries have strong militaries. In Finland, 80% of men have completed military service. The country can mobilize an army of 280,000.

Ukraine is not a member of NATO. But having seen Russia attack Ukraine — an independent country — and kill thousands of Ukrainians, Europeans know they must band together to ensure their security. The United States’ role in NATO is making this trans-Atlantic cooperation possible.

As Andersson eloquently put it, “Today, the situation in Ukraine reminds us of the darkest days of European history. And I must say that during dark times, it is great to be among close friends.”

Bradley D. Woodworth is an associate professor of history at the University of New Haven.

OP-ED

The Supreme Court should leave college admissions alone

By Gary Franks

As the world shifts its focus toward mourning the victims of senseless violence directed at racial and religious minorities, we should recognize that the Supreme Court actually has an opportunity to show the world where America really stands on racial diversity and race relations.

The Supreme Court has held numerous times that racial diversity and inclusion is a compelling government goal that should always be sought after. But the plaintiffs in Students for Fair Admissions Inc. v. President & Fellows of Harvard College are asking the Supreme Court to overturn its previous ruling that race should be one of many factors used in the admissions process for America’s universities.

As it stands now, college admission programs must, in the words of former Justice Sandra Day O’Connor, “adequately ensure that all factors that may contribute to diversity are meaningfully considered alongside race.” Other factors listed in the present case include but are not limited to test scores, geographic background, family background (whether the applicant’s parents previously attended Harvard and whether the applicant is first in her family to attend college), student-athlete status and financial aid eligibility.

You read that right. The plaintiffs are fine with students getting “points” in the admissions process for being rich, but not for being an underrepresented minority.

In 2018, the last year cited in the case, Asian students were 19% of Harvard’s student body. The Asian population in America was only 7% two years later, in 2020. This success is apparently not enough.

By contrast, Black students were 12% of Harvard’s student body in 2018 and 13.4% of the American population in 2020. Since the national percentage of Asians (7%) is less than half of Harvard’s percentage of Asians (19%),

Asian students are not underrepresented minorities at the prestigious university.

Harvard explained to the court that in its first read of applications, the admissions committee gives applicants points for geographic diversity. This rewards those from Idaho or Wyoming over those from California or Massachusetts. These plaintiffs have no issue with geographic diversity.

Their only complaint is that they feel the Asian community is discriminated against in the process. However, as Harvard mentions in its brief, the Asian plaintiffs failed to find any Asian applicant who was denied admission in cases in which he or she should have been admitted.

There are a number of factors for colleges to consider in admissions. Administrators want a fair representation of students who exhibit qualities that would enrich the college experience for everyone and enrich the state, if it is a state university, and/or the country as a whole.

The Essay Factor shows writing communication skills; the Interview Factor shows oral communication skills — poise and confidence — the References Factor from teachers can help assess leadership skills, work habits, discipline, and camaraderie ability that were displayed over the applicant’s four years in high school. Extracurricular activities, achievements, leadership roles and honors attest to the student’s character, passion and fortitude. All of these characteristics are evaluated for tens of thousands of students who could be among the tiny percentage (4%-9%) of students deemed worthy of admission to the country’s top colleges. A standardized test should not be the predominant factor.

Diversity and representation are kindred spirits. Major national colleges and top universities seek to have America’s diversity represented at their institutions.

It is essential to making and maintaining our greatness.

Let us take the Asians’ suggestion of

“race neutral” admissions and extrapolate it to “geographically neutral.” It is highly likely that some parts of America would be eliminated from attending the top schools. It is likely that most, if not all, the spots would go to a handful of states.

That is why colleges use geography as a factor in admissions. It is not a dominant factor unless it is a state school intent on investing in its state’s population, and there is nothing wrong with that. It is not wrong for the University of North Carolina to look past geography-blind admissions because UNC must be responsive to the state’s citizens who help fund the school in most instances.

More importantly, it would not help advance the state. The state wants to train and educate its best and brightest so these graduates will remain in the state and help it grow.

Adding to that logic from an economic development perspective, Black Americans attending top schools improve the prospects of decreasing the racial economic gap. Upon my graduation from Yale University, I had three Fortune 500 companies offer me positions that each paid more than the jobs of my mother and father combined.

This improves the country in a number of ways, including racial harmony. Black children see hope, opportunity and fairness while white students get to see that the racial stereotypes learned over the years are not true. Both are good for America.

The plaintiffs in this case against Harvard and UNC seem to profess that smart Black Americans should instead go to lesser schools. America, that is wrong.

Gary Franks served three terms as U.S. representative for Connecticut’s 5th District. He was the first Black Republican elected to the House in nearly 60 years and New England’s first Black member of the House. Host: podcast “We Speak Frankly.” Author: “With God, For God, and For Country.” @GaryFranks

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Eleanor Powell

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Eleanor Powell

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Rosa Misseri

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Robert D. McGarity Jr.

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Robert D. McGarity Jr.

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Rosa Misseri

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OBITUARIES

Powell, Eleanor



Eleanor Powell, 92 of Hartford, CT went home to be with her heavenly father on Saturday, May 14, 2022. Eleanor was born to the late Eli Porter and Sedora Sherrod on January 1, 1930, in Tarboro, NC. A celebration of Eleanor's life will take place on Thursday, May 26, 2022, at 11:00am with a calling hour from 10:00am – 11:00am at Henry L. Fuqua Funeral Service (A Division of Howard K. Hill Funeral Services), 94 Granby Street, Bloomfield, CT 06002. Interment will be held at Mount Saint Benedict Cemetery, 1 Cottage Grove Road, Bloomfield, CT 06002. To leave a message of comfort for the Powell family and view the full obituary, please visit, www.hkhfuneralservices.com.

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Misseri, Rosa



Rosa (Castelli) Misseri, 93, of Wethersfield, beloved wife for 75 years of the late Paolo Misseri, passed away peacefully on Thursday, May 19, 2022. Born in Solarino, Province of Siracusa, Italy, she was the daughter of the late Salvatore and Maria (Carrubba) Castelli. She had a natural talent for gardening and loved to cook meals for her family. A loving mother, grandmother and great-grandmother, Rosa will be forever missed by her three sons, Sebastian Misseri and his wife Sally Ann of Rocky Hill, Salvatore Misseri and his wife Elaine of Rocky Hill and Joseph Misseri and his wife Rose of Chester along with 7 adored grandchildren, 7 cherished great-grandchildren and a sister, Teresa Genovese of Australia. Besides her beloved husband, she was predeceased by her brothers, Paolo, Michael, Salvatore and her half brother Sebastian Castelli. The family will receive relatives and friends from 9:30 to 11 a.m. on Wednesday, May 25th at the D'Esopo Funeral Chapel, 277 Folly Brook Blvd., Wethersfield. A prayer service will be held at 11 a.m. on Wednesday in the funeral chapel. Burial will follow in Cedar Hill Cemetery, Hartford. For online expressions of sympathy to the family, please visit www.desopofuneralchapel.com.

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McGarity Jr., Robert Dean



Robert Dean McGarity Jr., 85, of Vernon, CT passed away peacefully at home on Thursday, May 19, 2022. He was the beloved husband of Janet (Williams) McGarity, who he was married to for sixty years. Born on October 21, 1936, in Norwich, NY, he was the son of the late Robert Sr. and Olga (Smith) McGarity, owners of McGarity's Ice Cream. He graduated from Colgate University in 1958 and retired as the Director of Administrative Services from Travelers Insurance where he worked for thirty-eight years. He was very active in his community and held leadership positions in various organizations such as the Boy Scouts, Vernon PTO, Jaycees and Concordia Lutheran Church where he was a deacon and served on the church council, finance committee and legacy committee. He also served on numerous Town of Vernon committees, including the Water Pollution Authority, Ethics Commission and Town Council. However, of all his accomplishments, Bob was most proud of his family. In addition to his wife, Jan, he was an incredible father to Beth Hanson (West Hartford, CT) and Todd McGarity and wife Debbie (Summit, NJ), and an unbelievable grandpa to Jack and Charlie McGarity (Summit, NJ). He is also survived by his brother, Jon McGarity and wife Susan (Buckeye, AZ), and brother-in-law Paul Williams (Fairport, NY). Anyone who had the pleasure of knowing Bob, knew him to be a kind, dependable and generous man who loved big band music, Broadway shows, classic movies and ice cream, and had a wonderful sense of humor. We are lucky to have had him in our lives and will hold him forever in our hearts. There will be a memorial service held at Concordia Lutheran Church, 40 Pitkin St, Manchester, CT 06040 on Saturday, June 25th at 11:00 AM immediately followed by fellowship and a celebration of Bob's life where all are welcome. In lieu of flowers, donations in Robert's memory can be made to Rockville Public Library, 52 Union St, Rockville, CT 06066 (rockvillepubliclibrary.org) or to Concordia Lutheran Church, 40 Pitkin St, Manchester, CT 06040 (concordiamanchester.org). For online condolences please visit www.cremationct.com.


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State to pay \$3.6B in pension debt

Tax revenue forecast calls for \$3.8B surplus for current fiscal year

By Keith M. Phaneuf
CT Mirror

Connecticut is poised to deposit an extra \$3.6 billion in its cash-starved pension funds when the fiscal year closes in June, after tax revenues surged yet again on Friday. Those supplemental payments would be on top of the \$2.9 billion in required contributions Connecticut made this fiscal year

to pensions for state employees and municipal teachers. Those projections were included in the latest monthly budget estimates from Gov. Ned Lamont's administration, which also forecast a \$3.8 billion surplus for the current fiscal year. While most of that projected windfall will help pay down pension debt, the remaining \$200 million will be deposited into the state's emergency budget reserve to keep it at its legal limit. The rainy day fund, which cannot hold more than 15% of annual operating expenses, is

maxed out this fiscal year at \$3.1 billion. But because the next state budget boosts spending by about 6%, the rainy day fund can accept another \$200 million once the new fiscal year begins in July. The extra pension payments will come just one year after the state broke new ground with a \$1.6 billion supplemental deposit into pensions. But with \$40 billion in unfunded obligations amassed over seven decades, Connecticut's per capita pension debt is among the highest in the nation. Even with the supplemental payments, that debt is projected to place consider-

able pressure on state finances for another two decades. Still, those supplemental payments are expected to drive down the minimum required contributions the state must make. Lamont has estimated that within the next few years those minimum annual payments could shrink by more than \$400 million, freeing those resources for other priorities. **Surplus appears smaller, but in one respect it's larger** Those extra pension payments largely were made possible by state tax revenues that have surged since

2018 and a new savings program begun around the same time that forces legislators to save a portion of quarterly income and business tax receipts. Revenue projections, which have risen frequently during this period, jumped again Friday, even as the \$3.8 billion surplus projection — at first glance — is down from the \$4.8 billion cushion projected just one month ago. Lamont and the General Assembly used more than \$1.2 billion from that cushion to help support

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Officials from Emanuel Lutheran Church and Frog Hollow Neighborhood Revitalization Zone representatives have joined with Habitat for Humanity to do extensive renovations on a Capitol Avenue property with an eye toward having a military veteran live there. TED GLANZER PHOTOS/HARTFORD COURANT

‘WHY WOULD WE NEED TO TEAR THIS DOWN?’

Church, residents unite to rebuild historic Hartford property for Habitat for Humanity

By Ted Glanzer
Hartford Courant

HARTFORD — The two sides working together with power tools, scrapers, hammers, and paint on Saturday — officials from Emanuel Lutheran Church and Frog Hollow Neighborhood Revitalization Zone representatives — couldn't have been further apart in September 2019. After years of trying to figure out what to do with the property at 315 Capitol Ave., the church sought to demolish the blighted, three-story 1890 Queen Anne house, which the church purchased for \$120,000 in 2012 with the initial

intention of rehabilitating until the costs proved prohibitive. The plan was to raze the eyesore that sits in the shadow of the Legislative Office Building, which church officials say attracts drug users and squatters, and use the cleared parcel for traffic mitigation for the child day care center on the corner of Capitol Avenue and Broad Street. But some Frog Hollow residents — including Carey Shea, the interim chairperson of the Frog Hollow Neighborhood Revitalization Zone, and Greg Secord — objected to the proposal.

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Mike Nowah, from left, Greg Secord, Carey Shea and the Rev. Paula Mehmet of Emanuel Lutheran Church stand on the stoop of the home at 315 Capitol Ave.

Mould to bring solo set to The Kate

Punk legend, former Hüsker Dü frontman looks back on career

By Christopher Arnott
Hartford Courant

Bob Mould hasn't calmed down much in the 40 years since he made punk rock history with his first band Hüsker Dü, but some of his fans have settled down a bit. That makes the clean, comfy Katharine Hepburn Cultural Arts Center in Old Saybrook a fine place for his blistering live electric solo set on Tuesday. A solo performer for the last couple of decades, Mould also led the band Sugar and has guested on albums by Foo Fighters, Golden Palominos, Throwing Muses, The 6th and appeared on the soundtrack to the film version of "Hedwig and the Angry Inch." "Distortion," a 24-CD box set collecting his last 30 years of recordings, was released in 2020. Mould's musical output over the years has been called punk, hardcore punk, second-wave punk, post-punk, indie and alternative rock, but when asked how he likes to be described, he says without hesitation, "Pop music. A singer/songwriter/guitarist that works in popular music." Mould spoke with the Courant earlier this month about his influences, being an influence himself and how a kid from New York became the king of punk rock in Minneapolis. **How did you end up in Minnesota in the first place?** I was fortunate enough to receive what they called an "underprivileged" scholarship for Macalester College in St. Paul because I grew up before the poverty line. The first band I was in, Hüsker Dü, formed in the second semester of my first year in college [in the] spring of 1979. I went for the scholarship [and] stayed for the band. The Twin Cities was a very interesting musical commu-

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AUTO REVIEW

Cadillac's CT5-V Blackwing provides American muscle

By Marc Grasso
Boston Herald

This is what earth-shattering power is all about. Cadillac, the great American luxury brand, has had great success when providing ground-pounding power to its array of vehicles. Although no history lesson is needed, its fan favorite CTS-V has always been a chart topper. When it comes to American power, someone has to keep up with the rest and in typical Cadillac fashion, the 2022 CT5-V Blackwing is really a thing of beauty. Wrapped in Infrared Tintcoat, or Pull Me Over Red as I like to call it, the CT5-V is really a thrill of a ride. Offering a monster 6.2-liter supercharged V8 engine known as the Blackwing engine and a six-speed manual transmission, but at 668 horsepower and 659 lb.-ft. of torque, I can't think of one American production vehicle with



The Cadillac CT-5 Blackwing. MARC GRASSO/BOSTON HERALD

four doors that is like it. To stay this is a beast, that's an understatement. Adding to the power, it's all about the exhaust and the noise given off for the CT5-V. The quad tips' exhaust is throaty, loud and shows the CT5-V means business. Matched with magnetic ride controls, adaptive

suspension and rear wheel drive, this animal certainly brings everything to the table. "The CT5-V Blackwing represents the pinnacle of performance, technology and craftsmanship from Cadillac," said Rory

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U of Maine trustees to consider job fate of former governor

Three faculty senates issued no-confidence votes in chancellor

Associated Press

PORTLAND, Maine — The fate of University of Maine Chancellor Dannel Malloy is on the agenda as trustees meet Sunday and Monday in Portland. Malloy was hired in Maine three years ago after serving two terms as governor of Connecticut. His contract, which includes a \$350,000 salary, expires June 30, and trustees will be hearing from an outside firm that conducted a multiyear review of his tenure. In recent weeks, the faculty senates of the University of Maine at Augusta, the University of Southern Maine and the University of Farmington have each issued no-confidence votes in Malloy. University of Maine at



Former Connecticut Gov. Dannel Malloy has been chancellor of the University of Maine for three years. JESSICA HILL/AP 2018

Machias faculty endorsed these votes on Friday as well. Malloy has said he takes the resolutions seriously and that the pace of change throughout the system is causing anxiety. The meeting takes place Sunday and Monday at the University of Southern Maine.

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nity at the time. I guess the short version of it is that there were a couple of different camps or styles of music: What I referred to as the North Side gang, like Prince and Terry [Lewis] and Jimmy [Jam], you know the R&B stuff, and then there were the bands who were more South Minneapolis, where the big ones would’ve been The Replacements, Soul Asylum, Hüsker Dü. The scenes came together under one roof as they progressed.

You were you listening to growing up?

I listened to AM radio as a small child. That’s how I taught myself to play piano. I started writing songs in the late ’60s, mostly influenced by the jukebox singles that my late father would buy for me. That would be everything from Beatles, Beach Boys, Hollies, Byrds, The Who, Mamas and the Papas, Motown, trucker songs — pretty much everything in mainstream ’60s pop. I was lucky enough to get my musical taste upright in high school, finding out about bands like the New York Dolls and The Ramones, Television, Patti Smith, Buzzcocks, Sex Pistols, the first wave of punk in the mid-’70s, whether it was U.K. or U.S. punk. Those are the things that sent me on the course toward Hüsker Dü and onward from there.

Hüsker Dü’s “Zen Arcade” was a concept album. Why



Punk legend Bob Mould. **THE KATE**

haven’t you done more conceptual pieces like that?

Well, that would be a hard one to top. I dunno, can’t say really. Better to be one for one than one for two?

You’ve been through Connecticut many times. This one’s a sweet concert hall in Old Saybrook. Do you remember any of those older shows?

As far as Connecticut, the ones most people would remember were at Toad’s Place. That was sort of the go-to club for a lot of the ’80s and ’90s punk and alternative bands. The theater I’m coming to [The Kate] sounds great. At our age, when a storyteller comes to town, this is a good place to sit and listen, right?

You still play loud, though?

It’s a solo electric show, so just imagine the rhythm section not being there. Just me, the guitar, the amp and the mic, that’s it. It will be a forward show, an aggressive show. It may or may not be loud, depending on the acoustics in the room, but I guess that at this point in

our lives, sitting in a theater and watching somebody go through their songbook, that sounds like a good night to me. Comfortable.

Do you do songs from your entire career?

Sure. Solo, Sugar, more solo, a good spotlight on the last decade, the five albums from Merge. I always like highlighting that pack of albums. It’s a real broad show. A lot of crowd favorites, a handful of deep cuts, a little bit of chit-chat, a poster, an album, maybe a shirt if you’re lucky.

You were out there before there was a national touring circuit for punk bands in small clubs.

The ’80s was an interesting time. There were key figures in each city in North America, and once we all got to know each other we were essentially putting on shows for other bands from outside our town. In return, we would have a place to play in that band’s hometown. It was really organic, it was really natural, it was really necessary. Everything just fell into place through all of us helping each other out, whether it was Mike Watt [of Minutemen] or Greg Ginn [of Black Flag] or Jello Biafra [of Dead Kennedys] or D.O.A. or Naked Raygun or [Boston’s] Fort Apache scene. It was a natural network of like-minded people and we shared resources. Lo and behold, by the fall of 1991, when [Nirvana’s] “Nevermind” came out, we won!

I’ve never not been touring, except maybe 1999

through 2001. This is a continuation of a year’s worth of touring. I just finished up 13 shows on the West Coast. I’ve three weeks of East Coast stops, then a month in the UK in June, some band work in July, then September/October should be two more rounds of solo touring. I’m trying to get caught up after missing a year and a half of work.

Have you been recording?

I’ve been writing, keeping busy, but in terms of going into an actual studio with a band and making an album, no, that did not happen over the last two years. I did the songs on [the recent “Ocean” EP] in my recording studio in San Francisco and I’m really happy with how those turned out. It was nice because it reminded me of how simple the process can be. The feedback I was getting from longtime fans was, “We forgot what it sounds like when it’s just you and the guitar. It’s incredible.” It was a nice between-albums kind of recording.

Other than the couple of years I took off in the late ’90s to do other stuff, it’s pretty much write, record, release and tour. It’s never changed.

You’re an acknowledged influence on countless bands.

Yep, it’s very humbling. When I grew up, music was all I had, all I wanted as a child. To be fortunate enough to have a really good first band like Hüsker Dü to get up on a stage and get on the road and travel with,

that was amazing. After that, I guess there were many doors I could open because of that, and lots of people have heard the work over the decades and I’m always grateful when people have good things to say about the work. It’s always humbling when people cite the work as an influence on their work. It’s a great thing. It’s a by-product of me continuously working.

Where do you live now?

San Francisco’s been the home base for the last 12-and-a-half years. I spent a good chunk of time at the end of the last decade in Berlin, Germany, splitting time between San Francisco and Berlin, but the pandemic put an end to that.

There were stories about some of those years when you were having a rough time. Are you doing OK these days?

All things considered, everything is great. Life goes on. I think what you’re asking is probably in reference to the intentionally sunny “Sunshine Rock” album, which was written after two records [that] dealt with the consecutive loss of each of my parents. In light of that, yeah, I’m doing as well as I can.

Bob Mould performs Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. at The Katharine Hepburn Cultural Arts Center, 300 Main St., Old Saybrook. \$55. katharinehepburntheater.org.

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“I had just moved to the neighborhood,” Shea said. “I was really enchanted with how beautiful and historic so much of it was. I looked at this building and I said, ‘This is a beautiful building. Why would we need to tear this down? This could be renovated.’ ...

“I was angry because I had just moved back from New York City and I had seen building after building after building being rehabbed. And I was frustrated. Also, I just feel too often Hartford is looked at as a disposable city. What’s allowed to be torn down in Hartford wouldn’t be allowed to be torn down in other places. And I had worked myself up into a little froth.”

The Neighborhood Revitalization Zone first voted against the plan, and the following night, the Hartford Preservation Commission unanimously rejected the demolition application. There was no shortage of hard feelings following the decision.

“It got heated,” Shea said.

“Fingers got pointed.”

Instead of keeping their fingers metaphorically clenched in closed fists, the neighborhood and the church reached out to each other with open hands.

Following the Hartford Preservation Commission meeting, Shea and Secord reached out to church senior pastor Rev. Paula V. Mehmehl to see if the parties had any common ground to determine what, if anything, could be done with a house that, for all intents and purposes, the church was now stuck with.

“There was some big disappointment because we put a lot of energy and effort into it,” Mehmehl said. “But I said, ‘We have to live our values.’ If they want to meet with us to provide a solution, we need to meet with them to find a solution.”

The parties met and opened a dialogue and several ideas were floated, including possibly moving the building.

“That was a neat thing. We all just said, ‘Let’s just move on.’ ... Let’s find a path forward,” Mehmehl said.

“Everybody has a vision of what they want to do

with it, like a dream,” Mike Nowak, the head of the church property team, added. “And you don’t want to let go of your dream. So getting a turnaround like that is like letting go of a dream. So that’s what you have to get past. Say, ‘OK, this is where we are now. What’s next?’ It was disappointing, but you can’t live that way forever, so you move on.”

Secord, who has a passion for historical architecture, had been working with Habitat for Humanity on a separate property and pitched the 2,500-square-foot house on Capitol Avenue as a potential project, perhaps renovating it for a military veteran family.

“Particularly because it’s across the street from the armory, it seemed like a no-brainer,” Secord said.

“I was like, ‘Oh wow,’” Shea added. “We’ve got all the ingredients: a great house, a great owner, a great congregation, a great nonprofit, supportive neighbors, a good fundraising apparatus ... and a spectacular building on one of the main thoroughfares in Hartford for everyone to

see that Hartford is on the rise.”

The stars aligned, with the church ultimately selling the house to Habitat for Humanity for \$45,000 — a steep discount but something for the church to reinvest in the community, Nowak said.

Still, the hard feelings that had been generated in 2019 hadn’t just dissipated; they’d given way to fellowship and community building.

Shea and Secord have made donations to ImmaCare when the church hosted food drives, and they’ve volunteered in the church’s no-freeze shelters.

“We’ve been over Greg’s house for dinner,” Mehmet said, calling the two “friends of the church.”

All of which brought members of the neighborhood and the church together — about a dozen workers in all — on a witheringly hot Saturday to the unmistakable symphony of power tools, hammers and scrapers that go along with home renovations.

Len Turpin, renovation and project manager for

Habitat for Humanity, says the renovations are a bit behind schedule, but the target is to have the work done by the end of the year.

Shea, who served as interim director of the Hartford Land Bank, noted that the rehab project is pivotal.

“This is the last blighted house on Capitol Avenue,” she said, adding that she intends to attend a church service in the near future. “If you drive from one end to the other, this is the last one. That’s a real milestone for Hartford. The property values in this area have really gone up. Anything that comes to market now gets snapped up. This is going to be a shining star in the neighborhood.”

All parties agree that out of the heated discussions three years ago, they not only stitched together their relationship, they also stitched together the neighborhood and a small, but significant part of the city. Just by working together.

“We wanted to enhance the neighborhood,” Mehmet said. “This is the best of all possible outcomes.”

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Comfort tops the list of expectations for consumers as the Cadillac brand

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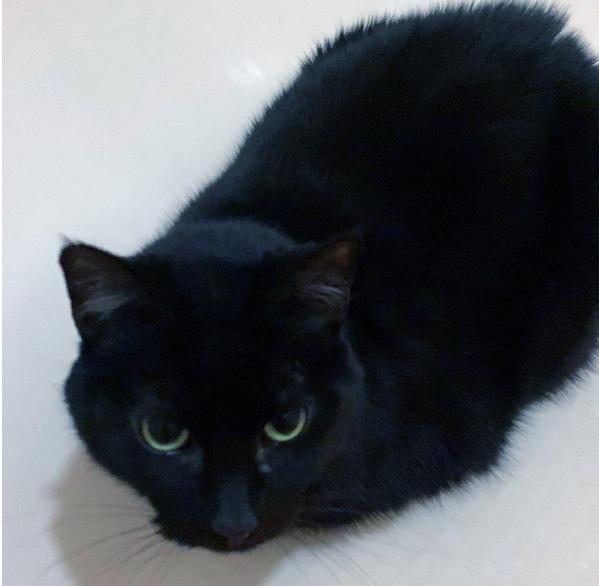
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'DOCTOR STRANGE': This latest Marvel Cinematic Universe bid to keep the MCU going until we're all moldering underground is not business as usual. It is a paradox: a glumly playful experiment in testing the story limits of multiverse travel, while dramatizing all the wrong ways of dealing with grief, guilt and a broken heart (Doctor Strange's and the Scarlet Witch's). The script's a messy sort of mess. There are also clear signs of a nervy director at work. We begin with a bittersweet wedding. Stephen Strange (Benedict Cumberbatch), who nearly destroyed our world in order to save it from Thanos, attends the nuptials of his one true love (Rachel McAdams), who is marrying another. All of a CGI sudden, a one-eyed giant octopus from another dimension appears on the Manhattan streets below, in violent pursuit of a new character, young America Chavez (Xochitl Gomez). This teenager is blessed/cursed with the ability to move in and out of other universes. And this makes her valuable to Wanda Maximoff, aka the Scarlet Witch (Elizabeth Olsen, whose grief has turned to monomaniacal rage). In "Doc Strange 2" Wanda has lost touch with her better instincts, having availed herself of the "Darkhold," which sounds like something Baron von Raschke used to try in the wrestling ring. The antidote to the Darkhold is the hallowed Book of the Vishanti, which is the very thing Strange and America are after in the nightmare vision of the prologue. All this determines the fate of the multiverse, while factoring into an audience's enjoyment of the movie not much at all. 2:06. 2 ½ stars. — *Michael Phillips, Chicago Tribune*



Jessie Buckley stars in writer/director Alex Garland's "Men." KEVIN BAKER/A24

'DOWNTON ABBEY: A NEW ERA': The new "Downton Abbey" film proclaims that it's "A New Era," but in actuality, it's a real throwback. It's not just that "Downton Abbey: A New Era" is a shiny replication of a world that's nearly a century old, but it's also a reminder of the world that we lived in when we loved "Downton Abbey," those heady days of the 2010s when we gulped down seasons of the wildly popular, award-winning historical TV drama created by Julian Fellowes. Watching it feels like double escapism: to early 20th-century England, as well as to a pre-pandemic time. "Downton Abbey: A New Era" is a chaste, mannered soap opera that feels like a relic of another time in more ways than one, but perhaps, that's the entire appeal. 2:05. 2 ½ stars. — *Katie Walsh, Tribune News Services*

'HAPPENING': Audrey Diwan's masterly second feature, "Happening," is the story of a young woman trying to save her own life; a harrowing, tense and utterly riveting survival story. The question of whether or not our young hero, Anne (Anamaria Vartolomei),

racing against the clock, will make it out with her future intact is the urgently dramatic question at hand. "Happening" is the story of an abortion, one that the French writer Annie Ernaux underwent in her early 20s as a college student, in 1960s France, when abortion was illegal there. It was an experience that she documented in her 2000 memoir "L'Événement," which Diwan and Marcia Romano adapted for the screen. "Happening," which won the Golden Lion at the 2021 Venice Film Festival, is a powerful argument for life: for Anne's life, in fact, and her right to live hers how she chooses. In French with English subtitles. 1:39. 4 stars. — *Katie Walsh*

'HATCHING': In the fantastical Finnish horror fairytale "Hatching," the directorial debut of Hannah Bergholm, a young girl hatches a murderous bird monster out of an egg that she secretly nests in her bed, and that's not even the scariest part — her perfectionist mommy blogger mother strikes the truest terror in the film. Like many great monster movies, "Hatching" uses a monster as a metaphor for repressed

emotion, and the creature at the center of this film is one of the most uniquely grotesque creations seen on screen in a long time. In Finnish with English subtitles. 1:27. 3 stars. — *Katie Walsh*

'THE INNOCENTS': The babes in the woods of Eskil Vogt's "The Innocents" are some of the scariest kids you'll see on movie screens this year. Bored over the summer holidays and living in a large Norwegian housing development, they while away the long summer hours inflicting a kind of casual cruelty on animals and other children, motivated by childish curiosity, subconscious trauma and newly discovered psychic abilities. With a careful economy of storytelling, Vogt lays out how and why these kids end up trapped in this destructive cycle. In Norwegian with English subtitles. Available via video on demand. 1:57. 3 stars. — *Katie Walsh*

'MEN': "Visionary" is liberally used to describe directors these days, but if any filmmaker has earned the title, it's writer/director Alex Garland, whose work has pushed forward some of the

major trends in horror and sci-fi filmmaking over the past two decades. He penned the screenplays for "28 Days Later" and "Sunshine," and directed the coolly intelligent "Ex Machina," as well as the feverishly hallucinatory "Annihilation." Garland uses genre to explore the nature of human existence, and the ways in which human beings struggle to connect across planes of being, both organic and mechanic. In his latest film, "Men," Garland turns toward the domestic, finding the horror within the confines of the home, and ripping it out from within. With "Men," Garland remains rooted in the natural world, but in this folk horror riff, the events that unfold are so entirely unnatural that some images and concepts are impossible to unsee or forget. Garland challenges the natural order in order to examine the many monstrous forms that emotional abuse and trauma can take on a human being's psyche, and he does so in a Grand Guignol of grotesquerie. Yet after all that blood and gore, too much remains mysterious about "Men," as Garland poses big questions that remain unanswered. 1:40. 3 stars. — *Katie Walsh*

'ON THE COUNT OF THREE': Comedian Jerrod Carmichael is officially a triple threat. The writer and performer can now add director to his bio, making his debut with the pitch-black suicide comedy "On the Count of Three," in which he co-stars opposite Christopher Abbott. The film, which Carmichael directed from a script written by "The Carmichael Show" writer Ari Katcher, who co-wrote with Ryan Welch, premiered at this year's Sundance Film Festival. The film opens in medias res, with lifelong best

friends Kevin (Abbott) and Val (Carmichael) about to shoot each other in the head outside of a strip club at 10 in the morning. Rewinding a few hours, we come to find out how these best friends found themselves there, which begins with Val getting a promotion at the Feed & Seed shop where he works, and attempting to hang himself in the bathroom while his co-worker sings Travis Tritt's "It's a Great Day to Be Alive" at the urinal. Val's failure leads him to break Kevin out of the psychiatric hospital where he has been committed for attempting suicide himself, because Val thinks the only way to get it right is for the best friends to do it together. However, Kevin, a newly freed man, blanches. He wants one last day. 1:26. 3 stars. Available via video on demand. — *Katie Walsh*

'OPERATION MINCEMEAT': With any war movie, the safe audience bet typically favors the immediate, graphic horrors of battle. That way, when you see a title such as "Hacksaw Ridge," you know a director will be operating with a cinematic license to slaughter. Espionage makes for subtler, trickier storytelling. "Operation Mincemeat" takes as its subject a singular feat of deception cooked up by British intelligence in 1943. How decisively the operation turned the Allied tide against Nazi Germany is up for historical debate. But the men and women of MI5 assuredly helped make the invasion of Sicily a key Allied military success. Streaming on Netflix. 2:08. 3 stars. — *Michael Phillips*

RATINGS: The movies listed are rated according to the following key: 4 stars, excellent; 3 stars, good; 2 stars, fair; 1 star, poor.

CELEBRITIES

John documentary lands at Disney

From news services

Elton John is preparing to say goodbye in fabulous splendor, with the help of a documentary crew and the Walt Disney Co. Disney Original Documentary and Disney+ said recently that the film, entitled "Goodbye Yellow Brick Road: The Final Elton John Performances and the Years that Made His Legend," will serve as the definitive and official feature on John's life and career. Including unseen archival footage, new interviews and a present day look at him and his family, it'll culminate with his final North American show at Dodger Stadium in Los Angeles in November. Oscar-nominated filmmaker R.J. Cutler is directing the film alongside producer and director David Furnish, who is married to John. No release date was revealed for "Goodbye Yellow Brick Road," but the companies teased a festival run and a theatrical release before it streams on Disney+.

Speaking of documentaries, Lizzo's getting one too: Lizzo is getting the documentary treatment at HBO Max in an untitled project that "shares the inspirational story behind her humble beginnings to her meteoric rise with an intimate look into the moments that shaped her hard-earned rise to fame, success, love and international stardom," the streaming service recently announced. The flute-playing singer, 34, released two albums before her breakout 2019 record "Cuz I Love You," which earned her eight Grammy nominations at the 2020 ceremony; she won three. "Growing up I never dreamed I'd get to experience all of the things I've accomplished in my life, and I'm just getting



Elton John performs during the Farewell Yellow Brick Road Tour on Jan. 19 in New Orleans. ERIKA GOLDRING/GETTY

started. I'm so excited I get to share and relive my journey with my fans and HBO Max," Lizzo said in a statement. **Cole to play basketball in Canada:** Rapper J. Cole will play another season of pro basketball, this time in Canada. The Canadian Elite Basketball League tweeted Thursday that the Grammy-winning rapper, 37, will join the Scarborough Shooting Stars in the season starting May 25 as a guard. Cole, whose full name is Jermaine Cole, played with the Rwanda Patriots in the Basketball Africa League in 2021. **Daughter of von Trapps dies:** Rosmarie Trapp, whose Austrian family the von Trapps was made famous in the musical and movie "The Sound of Music," has died. She died May 13 at age 93 at a nursing home in Morrisville, Vermont, Trapp Family Lodge announced. Rosmarie was the first daughter of Austrian naval Capt. Georg von Trapp and Maria von Trapp, and a younger half-sibling to the older von Trapp children portrayed onstage and in the movie. When

she became a U.S. citizen in 1951, she signed her name as Rosmarie Trapp, leaving out von, according to the lodge. **Actor Schulenburg dies:** Marnie Schulenburg, best known as Alison Stewart on "As The World Turns," died May 17 at age 37. Schulenburg died from breast cancer at a New Jersey hospital, Deadline reported. Schulenburg was diagnosed in May 2020. She joined "As The World Turns" in 2007 and appeared through the soap's final episode in 2010. Later, she starred in a reboot of "One Life to Live" in 2013. The actor also appeared on several prime-time shows, including "Fringe," "Blue Bloods," "Royal Pains" and "Elementary." **May 23 birthdays:** Actor Barbara Barrie is 91. Actor Joan Collins is 89. Actor Lauren Chapin is 77. Comedian Drew Carey is 64. Actor Lea DeLaria is 64. Actor Melissa McBride is 57. Musician Phil Selway is 55. Singer Maxwell is 49. Singer Jewel is 48. Comedian Tim Robinson is 41. Director Ryan Coogler is 36.



ASK AMY

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Young adult shamed for choosing sobriety

Dear Amy: I recently turned 21. I will be the first in my group of friends to graduate from college. It feels like life is starting to return to a sense of normalcy as the pandemic recedes, and my friends and I are socializing more outside of our homes — going out dancing, and enjoying the nightlife. My best friend and I are not big drinkers, and every time we go out men pressure us to drink and then try to shame us for not "knowing how to party." Can you help us come up with a witty comeback to shut down the pressure to drink? — *Happy Teetotaler*

Dear Amy: Alcohol is the only happy I can think of where people are continuously asked to explain why they are not using it. Understand, however, that you are a part of a growing community of people who are choosing to live sober. Much as I enjoy offering snappy comebacks, I think the most important thing for you to do is to own your sobriety. The only good thing about being shamed for "not knowing how to party" is that it offers you a very quick insight into the people who do this (women also pressure people to drink). People who pressure you to party are throwing down red flags, and you should take this as your cue to avoid them. You're starting to venture out now for your first time as a legal adult, and so you should take some basics to heart: Never accept a drink from anyone other than directly from your trusted companion or

from the bartender. Your professional bartender is your friend here. State that you aren't drinking alcohol and ask for a good substitute. A seasoned bartender will give you alternatives and also take this as a cue to keep an eye on you. If you ever feel threatened, let the bartender and/or club security know. (No matter what you're drinking, tip the bar staff well.) Regarding explaining your sobriety, it would be easy for you to lie: ■ "I'm celebrating 'Dry July.'" ■ "I'm running a marathon tomorrow." ■ "Shhhhhh — I'm pregnant." ■ "One more DUI, and I'm in the slammer." But owning your sobriety looks something like this: "I don't drink because I don't want to. Thank you for respecting my choice."

Dear Amy: My sister retired recently and moved away from her family and to the Southwest. She purchased a small home in a 55-and-older community and seems very happy. She stated that it was the only place she found that she could afford, relying solely on her Social Security and some savings. Thirty years ago, she divorced and apparently in the divorce decree her husband was ordered to invest a sum of money, on her behalf, to be given to her when her ex-husband retired. Her ex has been retired now for over five years, and her ex and her kids are reluctant to give her the money because they are afraid she will just spend it.

I really believe she has forgotten about this nest egg over the years. She could really use the money, and if she spends it and enjoys herself, good for her. Should I bring this up to her, or should I leave it alone and let her family decide when the time is right to give her what's overdue? — *Wondering Sibling* **Dear Sibling:** I'm wondering how you and her kids know about your sister's nest egg when she doesn't, but yes — I think you should bring this up. I agree with you that if your sister has money coming to her, then she should receive it. A divorce decree isn't a suggestion — it's a legal agreement. **Dear Amy:** Thank you for honing in on the sexism implied by "Upset Grandma" who claimed to be "confused" by the "paternalism" demonstrated by a family naming a son after other male family members. People should have the right to honor previous generations by naming children after them. Male or female: Who cares? — *Grateful Reader*

Dear Grateful: My sense is that "Upset Grandma" was hoping to prod me into a feminist rant regarding male children being named after male ancestors. But she caught me with my rants down. Copyright 2022 by Amy Dickinson Distributed by Tribune Content Agency

Creator reveals ‘This Is Us’ will end with ‘meditative day’

By Lynn Elber
Associated Press

Jack and Rebecca. Randall, Kate and Kevin. Six seasons and a combined 23 actors playing the Pearson mom, dad and children over four jumbled decades of love, war and a fatefully malfunctioning slow cooker.

Add to that the countless tears shed by devoted fans of “This Is Us” and the oft-cited box of tissues as a standard accessory. It all comes down to one last good cry as NBC’s time-traveling family drama airs its final episode May 24.

Creator Dan Fogelman, who’d planned the show’s finite run from the start, is comfortable with his decision to leave viewers wanting more — unusual for TV, which has no qualms in milking a popular series for all it’s worth.

“If we had done anything different, it would have happened because of the wrong reasons,” Fogelman said. “A lot of them are lovely reasons, because I enjoy these people so much that I work with, because the show is lucrative, because it’s so successful. But creatively, I feel we’ve done the right thing.”

The story was always complete in his imagination, to the point that he knew “what the final five minutes would look like. We knew enough that, I’d say, about half if not more, of the final episode was shot three or four years ago.”

The journey of the Pearsons and their extended circle of family and friends was as addictive, if not as edgy, as the cable and streaming dramas that operate without broadcast TV’s mandated guardrails. “This Is Us” also excelled in its approach to diver-



Milo Ventimiglia, from left, Kaz Womack, Isabella Rose Landau, Ca’Ron Jaden Coleman and Mandy Moore in a scene from the final season of “This Is Us.” **RON BATZDORFF/NBC**

sity, making it meaningful rather than a check-the-boxes approach. The experiences of Randall — a Black man who as a baby was adopted by white couple Jack and Rebecca — were explored as fully as those of his white siblings Kate and Kevin.

Milo Ventimiglia and Mandy Moore played opposite each other as the parents, with Sterling K. Brown as Randall, Chrissy Metz as Kate and Justin Hartley as Kevin. Other prominent cast members have included Susan Kelechi Watson, Chris Sullivan and Jon Huertas.

The series’ compelling writing and acting, along with its intriguing time-shifting framework, earned fan loyalty: It remained a top-rated program among network-favored young adult viewers throughout its run.

“This Is Us” received a wealth of honors, including a prestigious Humanitas Prize, a Writers Guild of America award and two consecutive Screen Actors Guild awards for best ensemble cast. It drew four best drama series Emmy nods. The NBC show’s stars and guest actors also received multiple Emmy nominations, with Brown, Gerald McRaney and Ron Cephas Jones winning

Emmys — two for Jones in the role of William Hill, birth father to Brown’s Randall.

The show has thrived on challenging its audience — most notably with the time jumps that create mysteries, such as Jack’s premature death that went long and maddeningly unexplained. (It was heroic, saving his family in a house fire started by the above-mentioned kitchen item.)

“There were these kind of watercooler moments early in the show that were, frankly, a little unexpected,” Fogelman said. As the show kept “throwing to the future,” as he put it, viewers continued to thirst for answers — about Kate and Toby’s divorce, Kevin’s forever love and other loose ends.

Fogelman is circumspect about finale details but suggested it’s the opposite of shocking given how much has been resolved for the characters.

“The goal of the ending was always to just sit with this family in the simplest of ways,” he said. “Where there’s not that many questions left, and you can sit and enjoy almost the equivalent of found footage of a family, combined with a very meditative day.”

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Aries (March 21-April 19): Talking a big game might be your name today, Aries. You may not know where your sudden surge of confidence comes from, but don’t lose the energy of the moment by stopping to overanalyze it. Just have faith you can handle whatever comes your way.

Taurus (April 20-May 20): Investing in something that has lasting importance may be necessary to satisfy you now. Committing to an organization that has goals you’re enthusiastic about can help you act on your impulses. While a financial donation might be a start, getting involved could give you a clearer sense of self.

Gemini (May 21-June 20): Working a room with your charm could be fun for you today, Gemini. As a bonus, you may be able to use this social energy to make progress on your goals. Though the professional side might not be emphasized at the moment, the potential future benefits of it could surprise you.

Cancer (June 21-July 22): Solving a mystery in your career may be necessary today. Ask around, because you probably know someone who knows something. Though your strategy of trying to see the big picture might help, it could also hold you back. Remain open to different perspectives.

TODAY IN HISTORY

Associated Press

On May 23, 1915, Italy declared war on Austria-Hungary during World War I.

In 1934, bank robbers Clyde Barrow and Bonnie Parker were shot to death

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22): Sharing what you know with your friends can be rewarding for everyone involved at this time. You’re welcome to accept opportunities that come up as a result of what you share. Someone who’s on your wavelength may seek you out for a professional alliance, so look forward to anything that develops.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Recognition may be important to you at the moment, but don’t forget about the details. Make sure that any new responsibilities you take on are paired with fair rewards. Though you might worry you’ll seem pushy, what you’re entitled to could be more than you expect.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Adventure may be more likely to happen if you have help. While there’s room for you to handle some of the details, two heads are better than one. With everything not on you, you can relax enough to think of exciting opportunities you might otherwise be too stressed to catch.

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Your attention to your responsibilities could bring you rewards today. People you share money or property with are likely to respect you for the effort you put into causes. You’re well-positioned to pursue adjustments to these relationships to make them fairer to you.

in a police ambush in Bienville Parish, Louisiana.

In 1937, industrialist and philanthropist John D. Rockefeller died in Ormond Beach, Florida, at age 97.

In 1975, comedian Jackie “Moms” Mabley, 81, died in White Plains, New York.

In 1984, Surgeon General C. Everett Koop issued a

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Bringing your whole self into your interactions with others can help you share your side of the story in a way that somebody close to you can understand. If you’ve had any trouble lately with sorting out responsibilities between the two of you, this could smooth over any rough edges.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Working hard to ensure your security could be a priority for you at the moment. Though you take pride in your self-sufficiency, remember how you intersect with others. Tell anyone who’s involved what you’re up to, as they’ll benefit from having assumptions clarified.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Telling the people around you what’s on your mind can help you achieve whatever tangible results you seek now. When you’re clear and specific with others — and, perhaps more importantly, yourself — about what you need to feel secure, you’re likely to get it.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20): Having the resources to be secure could give you the foundation you need to speak up about something that matters to you. You can share your thoughts in a way that is both personal and factual. Being clear on your motivations for this may help you determine how to do it.

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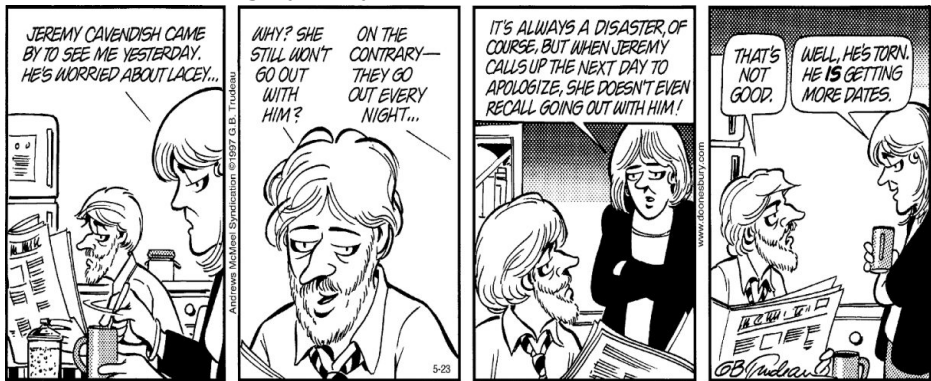
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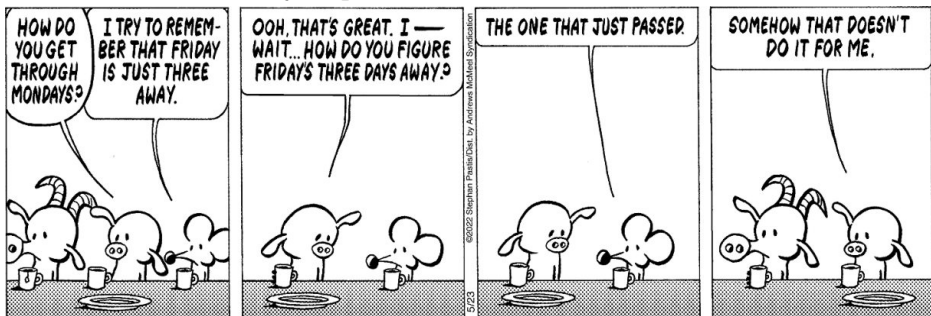
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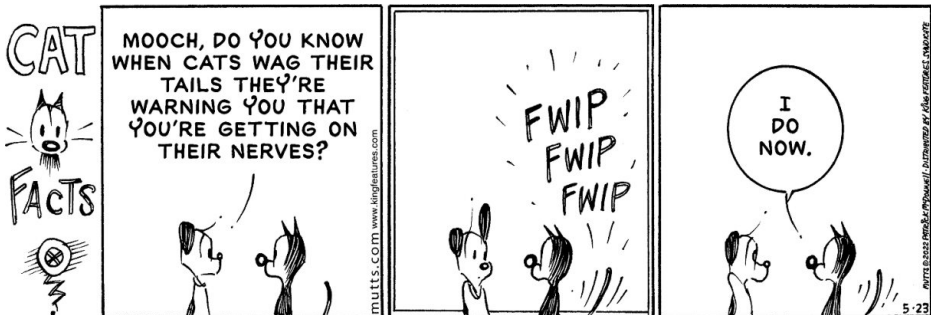
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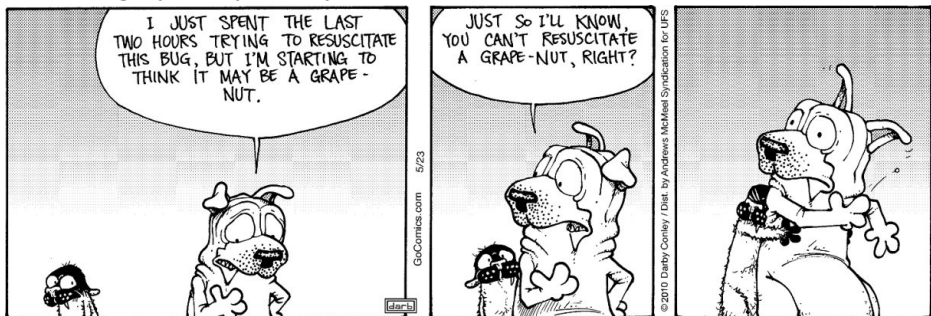
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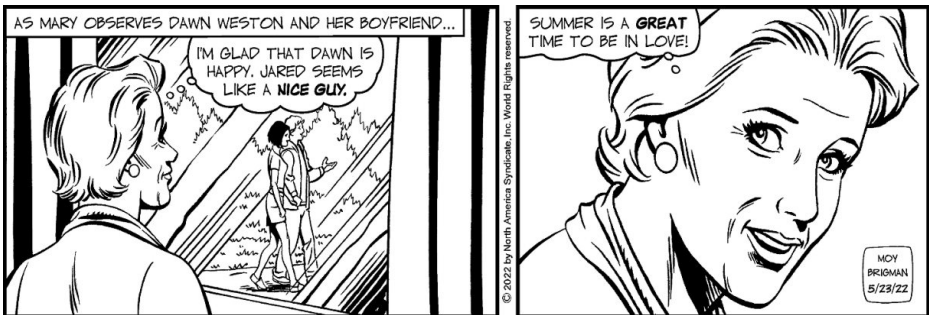
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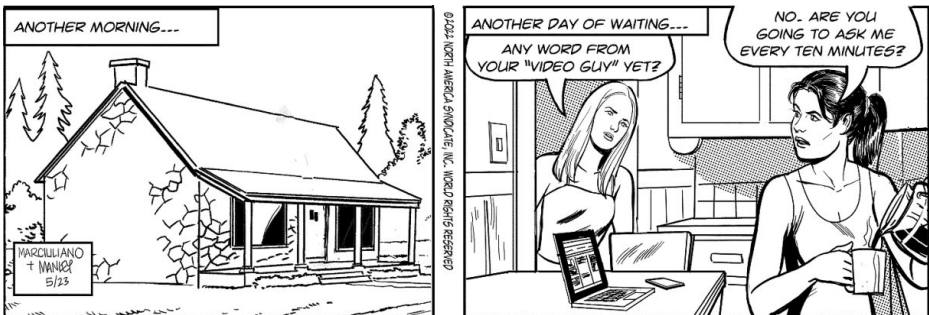
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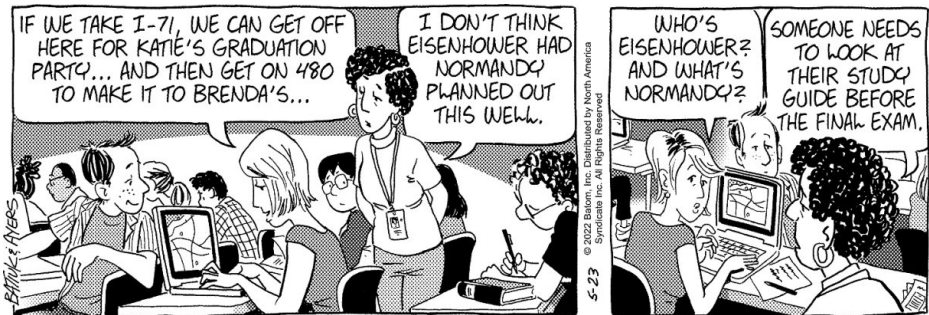
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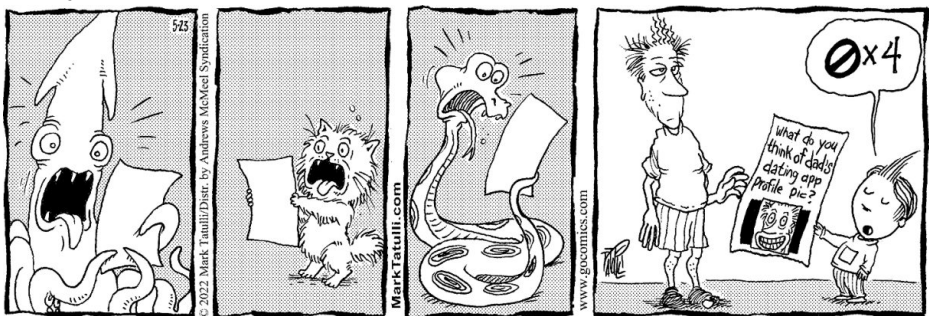
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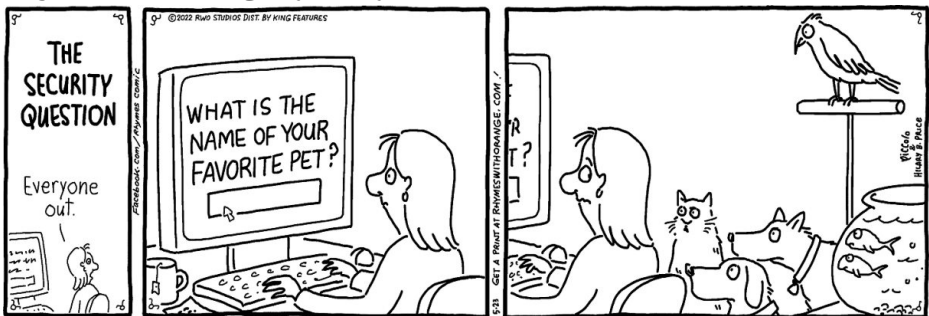
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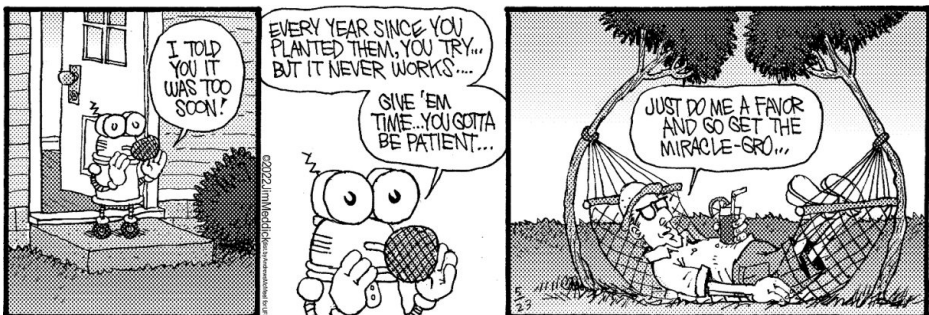
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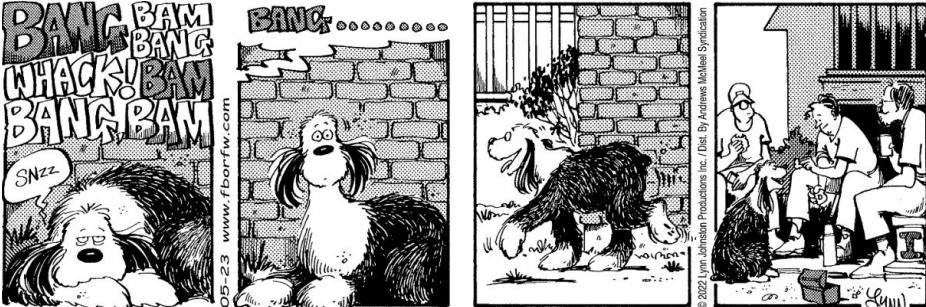
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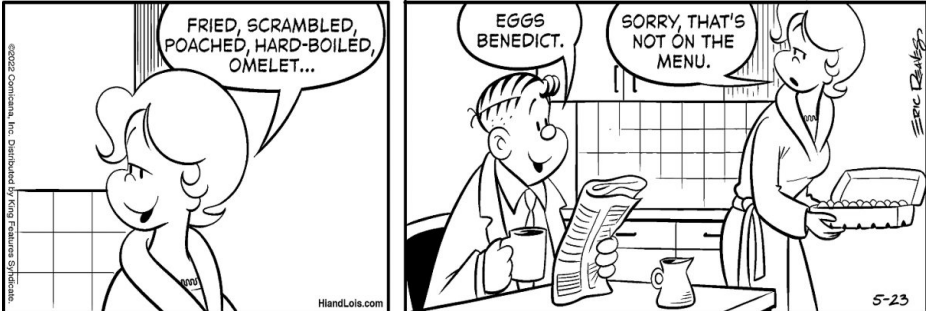
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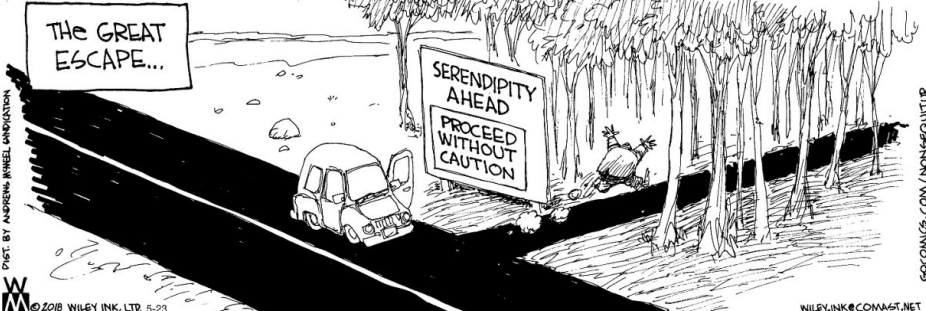
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Celtics look to free up Tatum in Game 4

By Mark Murphy
Boston Herald

BOSTON — Jayson Tatum, whose 0-for-4 second half performance on Saturday night ranks among the worst playoff performances in his young career, clearly needs to come forth with much more when Game 4 of the Eastern Conference Finals begins on Monday night against Miami. Tatum finished with 10 points and six turnovers as Miami took a 2-1 series lead.

“He knows he didn’t play his best,” Celtics coach Ime Udoka said following Sunday’s practice. “We know we can play a lot better as a team. And so, one thing he’s done is bounce back very well, and we’re looking forward to (that)

with him.

“Competitive guy, obviously. One of the best in the league. He understands an opportunity was lost. Guys aren’t going to play great every night, but you can still make the right reads. And he’s still out there defending. I don’t have to say much to him. We’re all [angry] about it, him probably more than anybody. Look forward to a good response from him.”

But to get there, Tatum has to free himself up from the likes of P.J. Tucker, who was particularly successful against the Celtics star in Miami’s 109-103 Game 3 victory Saturday night. On one occasion in the second quarter, when losing control of the ball while trying to drive through a crowd, Tatum found himself on the floor fight-

ing with four Heat defenders while trying to get the loose ball. Every Celtic on the floor, not just Tatum, has to work at freeing up this premier offensive threat.

“It’s a little bit of both, taking him off the ball some,” Udoka said of solutions. “Off-ball actions always have worked well for him, whether he’s a screener or some flares and things like that because they are loading up on him every time he has the ball, but also understanding that they’re guarding him like this.

“He’s had huge playoff series so far. Teams are going to come after him, so for him, it’s looking to get guys involved early. As he makes those passes and makes

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The Heat’s Bam Adebayo blocks a shot by the Celtics’ Jayson Tatum in Game 3 on Saturday night in Boston as P.J. Tucker lends a hand defensively. MICHAEL DWYER/AP

PGA CHAMPIONSHIP



Justin Thomas plays his second shot on the 13th hole, the first playoff hole during the final round of the PGA Championship at Southern Hills Country Club in Tulsa, Okla., on Sunday. RICHARD HEATHCOTE/GETTY

Thomas erases 7-hole deficit to win in playoff

By Doug Ferguson
Associated Press

TULSA, Okla. — Justin Thomas is a major champion when he least expected it.

Thomas matched a PGA Championship record Sunday when he rallied from a seven-shot deficit at Southern Hills, and then saved his most exquisite shot-making for a three-hole playoff to defeat Will Zalatoris.

He closed with a 3-under 67, matching the low score of a final round made difficult more by nerves than the wind. He seized control in the playoff with a 3-wood to 35 feet on the 301-yard

17th hole for a two-putt birdie.

He tapped in for par and stood erect with a smile, a mixture of joy and disbelief.

“I was asked early in the week what lead is safe, and I said, ‘No lead,’ ” Thomas said. “I can’t believe I found myself in a playoff.”

Thomas needed plenty of help, and Mito Pereira provided it in a tragic finish. The 27-year-old from Chile, playing in only his second major, took a one-shot lead to the final hole and drove into a creek to make double bogey.

It was the first time since Phil Mickelson at Winged Foot in the 2006 U.S. Open that a player lost a one-shot lead in the final hole to

lose a major.

Zalatoris looked like he had thrown away his chances for a first major — and first PGA Tour victory — when he three-putted from just outside 20 feet on the 16th hole. But he responded with a birdie from the bunker at the 17th and holed an 8-foot par putt on the 18th for a 71.

He joined Thomas at 5-under 275, and they played on when Pereira faltered.

Thomas, who had gone 14 months since his last victory at The Players Championship last year, now has a PGA Tour victory in each of his last eight years and moves to No. 5 in the world.

John Mahaffey in the 1978 PGA Championship at Oakmont was the other player to come from seven shots behind on the final day. He also won in a playoff over Tom Watson and Jerry Pate.

Thomas was still seven shots behind when he made his remarkable run, a mixture of key birdies and keeping mistakes off his card. It started with a 65-foot birdie putt from just short of the green to a back pin on the par-3 11th. He edged closer with an 18-foot birdie on the next hole.

He was lurking, while the leading pack behind him was leaking

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RANGERS 3, HURRICANES 1

Zibanejad pushes Rangers to victory in Game 3

By Vin A. Cherwoo
Associated Press

NEW YORK — After two tough losses on the road put them in another series deficit, the New York Rangers again bounced back with a big home win.

Mika Zibanejad had a goal and an assist, Igor Shesterkin stopped 43 shots, and the Rangers beat the Carolina Hurricanes 3-1 Sunday in Game 3 of their second-round playoff series.

“It was a tight battle again,” Rangers coach Gerard Gallant said. “Igor was outstanding for us, and that was they key. ... We defended pretty good, and guys did the right thing with the puck.”

Chris Kreider and Tyler Motte also scored as the Rangers cut their deficit to 2-1 in the best-of-seven matchup. Game 4 is Tuesday night at Madison Square Garden.

“It’s a terrific environment ... so much energy throughout the entire game,” Kreider said. “It’s easy to feed off the energy the crowd brings.”

It was just New York’s second win against Carolina in the teams’ last 10 meetings, dating to the qualifying round of the 2020 playoffs in the bubble in Toronto. The Hurricanes swept that best-of-five series in three games and won three of four in the regular season.

The Rangers, who came back from a 3-1 series deficit in the first round against Pittsburgh, improved to 4-1 at home. They got a much-needed win against the Hurricanes after losing 2-1 in OT in Game 1 and 2-0 in Game 2.

“I liked the way we battled in those two games in Carolina,” Gallant said. “We felt like we were going to win the hockey game. Our goalie was outstanding in the first half of the game

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WHITE SOX 3, YANKEES 1

Pollock HR in 9th beats Yankees in DH opener

By Jerry Beach
Associated Press

NEW YORK — Johnny Cueto pitched six more scoreless innings, AJ Pollock hit a tiebreaking home run off Aroldis Chapman in the ninth and the Chicago White Sox beat the New York Yankees 3-1 on a calm Sunday in the first game of a doubleheader.

There didn’t appear to be any carryover of the anger and tension at Yankee Stadium from the previous afternoon. On Saturday, the benches cleared and Yankees slugger Josh Donaldson, who is white, acknowledged call-

ing Chicago star Tim Anderson, who is Black, “Jackie” — a reference to pioneering baseball icon Jackie Robinson that elicited criticism from both managers.

Anderson didn’t play in the opener. Manager Tony La Russa said he wanted the star shortstop to play only one game.

Pollock hit a leadoff homer against Chapman (0-2), who also gave up an RBI double to Adam Engel.

Yasmani Grandal, whose exchange of words with Donaldson on Saturday led to the

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Red Sox’s Franchy Cordero, center, celebrates after hitting a grand slam in the 10th inning Sunday for a win over the Mariners in Boston. STEVEN SENNE/AP

RED SOX 8, MARINERS 4 (10)

Cordero’s slam in 10th gives Red Sox sweep

By Ken Powtak
Associated Press

BOSTON — Franchy Cordero hit a grand slam with two outs in the 10th inning, lifting the surging Boston Red Sox to an 8-4 victory over the Seattle Mariners on Sunday.

Trevor Story continued his recent power surge with his fifth homer over the Green Monster in four days, and Christian Arroyo added a solo shot for Boston, which posted its season-high fifth straight victory and completed a four-game sweep over Seattle.

The Red Sox trailed 4-3 when pinch hitter Christian Vázquez singled against Andrés Muñoz (1-2) in the 10th, advancing automatic runner Bobby Dalbec. After Kiké Hernández hit a tying single, Vázquez was thrown out at the plate by right fielder Dylan Moore on Rafael Devers’ single, a play upheld by review.

Following an intentional walk and Story’s flyout, Cordero won it with his drive to right on 0-and-2 pitch. Seattle left fielder Jesse Winker and center fielder Julio

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SPORTS

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Celtics: Eastern Conference Finals: vs. Miami (Game 4), Monday, 8:30 p.m.; at Miami (Game 5), Wednesday, 8:30 p.m.; vs. Miami (Game 6, if necessary), Friday, 8:30 p.m.

Rangers: NHL Second Round: vs. Hurricanes (Game 4), Tuesday, 7 p.m.; at Hurricanes (Game 5), Thursday, time TBD; vs. Hurricanes (Game 6, if necessary), Saturday, time TBD

Red Sox: at White Sox, Tuesday, 8 p.m.; at White Sox, Wednesday, 8 p.m.; at White Sox, Thursday, 8 p.m.

Yankees: Orioles, Monday, 7 p.m.; Orioles, Tuesday, 7 p.m.; Orioles, Wednesday, 7 p.m.

Mets: at Giants, Monday, 9:45 p.m.; at Giants, Tuesday, 9:45 p.m.; at Giants, Wednesday, 3:45 p.m.

Yard Goats: at Richmond, Tuesday, 6:30 p.m.; at Richmond, Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.; at Richmond, Thursday, 6:30 p.m.

Sun: Wings, Tuesday, 7 p.m.; Wings, Thursday, 7 p.m.; Mystics, Saturday, 7 p.m.;

Hartford Athletic: Phoenix, Saturday, 7 p.m.; at El Paso, June 4, 9:30 p.m.; at San Diego, June 11, 10 p.m.

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5 p.m.: Women's NCAA Individual Championship. (Live) GOLF
HOCKEY
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1 p.m.: IIHF World Championship Canada vs Denmark. (Live) NHL
7 p.m.: Panthers at Lightning. (Live) TNT
9:30 p.m.: Avalanche at Blues. (Live) TNT
5 a.m.: IIHF World Championship Germany vs Switzerland. (Live) NHL
TENNIS
6 a.m.: French Open 1st Round. (Live) TENNIS
2:45 p.m.: French Open 1st Round. (Live) TENNIS
5 a.m.: French Open 1st Round. (Live) TENNIS

REGIONAL DIGEST

Yard Goats rally past Baysox

Staff reports

Michael Toglia hit two homers, driving in five runs, as the Hartford Yard Goats rallied to an 8-7 victory over the Baysox in Bowie, Maryland, on Sunday afternoon. The Yard Goats won five of six in the series at Prince George's Stadium.

Bowie took a 4-0 lead on two-run homers by Hudson Haskin in the first and Jordan Westburg in the third. Toglia pulled Hartford to 4-2 with a two-run shot to right-center in the fourth. Zach Watson put the Baysox up 5-2 with a homer to left in the bottom of the fourth. The Yard Goats took their first lead of the day in the seventh on an RBI double by Isaac Collins and a three-run homer by Toglia. Bowie regained the lead in the bottom of the seventh on a sacrifice fly by Haskin and an RBI single by J.D. Mundy. Niko Decolati came through with the winning hit in the eighth for Hartford, singling home Aaron Schunk and Willie MacIver with one out in the eighth.

Yard Goats starter Noah Davis gave up seven hits and five runs in five innings, walking three and striking out four. Fineas Del Bonta-Smith (1-0) got the win, pitching a scoreless seventh. P.J. Poulin pitched 1 ½ innings for the save, striking out two.

The Yard Goats open a six-game series at Richmond on Tuesday at 6:30 p.m.

Hartford Athletic game at Tulsa postponed: Hartford Athletic's game Saturday night against FC Tulsa in Oklahoma was postponed because of a COVID-19 outbreak among the Tulsa squad. A new date for the match has yet to be determined. The statement from FC Tulsa said there were several positive COVID-19 tests in the organization. Hartford Athletic said none of their players or staff has tested positive.

SUN 92, FEVER 70

Sun start fast, breeze to road win over Fever

Associated Press

INDIANAPOLIS — Alyssa Thomas and Brionna Jones scored 18 points each as the Connecticut Sun breezed to a 92-70 victory over the Indiana Fever on Sunday afternoon. The Sun won their fourth in a row after a season-opening loss, and the Fever lost their fourth straight.

Thomas also had six rebounds and six assists for Connecticut (4-1), which jumped out to a 26-15 lead after the first quarter and never looked back. Courtney Williams scored 15 and Jonquel Jones pitched in with 13 points and nine rebounds.

Victoria Vivians led Indiana (2-6) with 15 points. She has scored at least 15 points in four of the last five games played and is averaging a career-best 11.1 points



Connecticut Sun forward Alyssa Thomas, pictured May 10, had 18 points, six rebounds and six assists in Sunday's victory over the Fever in Indianapolis. ADAM HUNGER/AP

this season. Emily Engstler had 11 points and eight rebounds for the Fever.

Indiana star Kelsey Mitch-

ell, who entered Sunday as the WNBA's second-leading scorer at 19.7 points per game, was held to five points on 2-for-12 shooting.

METS 2, ROCKIES 0

Walker, 3 relievers combine on 6-hitter

By Pat Graham
Associated Press

DENVER — Francisco Lindor broke a scoreless tie with a single in the sixth inning, Taijuan Walker and three relievers combined on a six-hitter and the New York Mets extended their streak of rebounding from losses by beating the Colorado Rockies 2-0 on Sunday.

The Mets dropped the second game of a doubleheader Saturday, which led to them winning their franchise-best 14th straight game following a loss. By taking two of three, New York also captured its 11th series win this season.

This marked the first time Colorado has been shut out at Coors Field since Aug. 31, 2020, against San Diego.

Walker (2-0) was in complete command over seven stellar innings, scattering five hits and striking out six. Adam Ottavino, Joely Rodríguez and Edwin Díaz finished it off. Díaz got Brian Serven to fly out to pick up save No. 10.

The Mets gave Walker all the run support he would need in the sixth. Brandon Nimmo lined a one-out single that got between the legs of right fielder Randal Grichuk, allowing Nimmo to motor to third. Lindor lined a run-scoring single to left and, after a soft double by Jeff McNeil, Pete Alonso brought home another run on a groundout.

Austin Gomber (2-4) turned in



The Mets' Francisco Lindor follows the flight of his RBI single off Rockies starting pitcher Austin Gomber in the sixth inning Sunday in Denver. DAVID ZALUBOWSKI/AP

his longest outing of the season, throwing seven efficient innings. He allowed two runs, seven hits and struck out two.

The Rockies' struggling offense mustered only six singles off the Mets. They've now lost 11 of their last 15 since starting the year 15-11.

Versatile infielder Luis Guillorme had two hits as he started at

third for the Mets. He also made a sensational stop in the seventh to end the inning. Manager Buck Showalter praised Guillorme's ability to play all over.

Is catching in his future?

"He keeps looking at me with those longing eyes about catching," Showalter cracked. "It's not easy to do what he does. It's hard to find

those guys. They're valuable. He's a regular irregular."

Trainer's room

Rockies: RHP Peter Lambert (right forearm inflammation) was scheduled to make a rehab start Sunday with Triple-A Albuquerque.

Red Sox

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Rodríguez stood out in the field in disbelief for a while before slowly walking off as the Red Sox celebrated at home plate, spilling over toward their dugout.

Adam Frazier had a go-ahead single in the 10th inning for Seattle after Eugenio Suárez's homer tied it with two outs in the ninth.

Frazier also had a two-run homer for the Mariners, who have lost six of seven and 19 of 25.

With thunder and lightning off to the first base side, Frazier lined an RBI single to center against Jake Diekman (1-0), who earned the victory.

Suárez homered into the Monster seats against Hansel Robles.

The Red Sox nearly wasted a solid outing from Nathan Eovaldi, who rebounded from a historically bad outing by striking out 11 while allowing two runs and four hits over 6 ¾ innings.

He became just the third pitcher in MLB history to get tagged for

five homers in an inning during a loss to Houston last Tuesday, joining Toronto's Chase Anderson (Sept. 17, 2020, vs. Yankees) and Milwaukee's Michael Blazek (July 28, 2017, vs. Nationals).

Story lined a 94 mph fastball off Logan Gilbert that barely cleared the top of the 37-foot Monster in the sixth, landing in the first row to make it 3-2.

Story finished the series with the five homers and 13 RBIs, going deep three times in the opener and hitting a grand slam on Friday.

Gilbert gave up three runs and

five hits in seven innings.

Frazier hit a flyball that hooked around the Pesky Pole.

Inserted into the lineup when J.D. Martinez was a late scratch with back spasms, Arroyo hit the first pitch off a billboard above the Monster seats in the second.

Trainer's room

Red Sox: OF Alex Verdugo was out after leaving Saturday's game with flu-like symptoms, but manager Alex Cora said he tested negative for COVID-19.

Yankees

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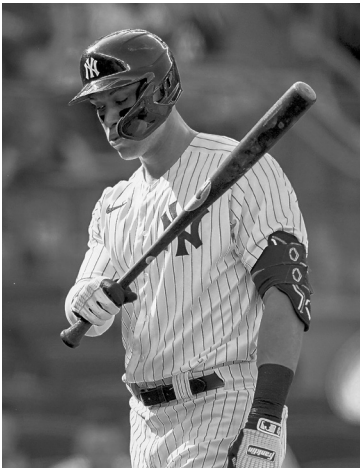
benches emptying, hit an RBI single in the fourth.

Liam Hendriks, who used an expletive earlier Sunday to describe how he didn't believe Donaldson's explanation that he made the "Jackie" reference as part of an inside joke with Anderson, struck out two in a perfect ninth to preserve the win for Kendall Graveman (1-1).

Hendriks pumped a fist and yelled loud enough to be heard three levels away after whiffing Jose Trevino for the final out.

Aaron Judge briefly tied the score for the Yankees by homering off Graveman with one out in the eighth.

Anderson was originally penciled in as the leadoff batter before La Russa scratched him, citing a desire to save him for the



Yankees' Aaron Judge reacts after striking out against White Sox starter Johnny Cueto in the first game of a doubleheader Sunday in New York. JOHN MINCHILLO/AP

cooler nightcap. The temperature at Sunday's first pitch was 90 degrees. The second game wasn't

over in time for this edition.

Donaldson, starting at third base and batting fifth, was 0 for 4 but came within a few feet of a much bigger day. With two on and two outs in the first, Donaldson lined out to third base, where Yoan Moncada — inserted into the lineup in place of Anderson — saved a run by snaring the ball at his shoetops. In the fourth, Donaldson flied out to the wall in left field.

With two on and one out in the eighth, he flied out to the track in right-center. Grandal went out to talk to Graveman as Donaldson approached the batter's box. Donaldson stepped back out of the box as Grandal returned to the plate.

La Russa said Donaldson's comment was "racist" following Saturday's game, a 7-5 Yankees win.

Yankees manager Aaron Boone said he talked to Donaldson after Saturday's game and believed his player's explanation for why he

said it — but he also said he thought Donaldson shouldn't have used the term.

"I think with what's going on between the two players and between the two teams over the last week or two, I certainly understand how that would be sensitive and understand the reaction," Boone said. "I also understand Josh has been very forthcoming with the history of it and the context of it. So I don't believe there was any malicious intent in that regard.

"But this is just my opinion — (that's) somewhere he should not be going."

Judge's 15th home run cost Cueto a chance at the win. The resurgent 36-year-old righty allowed six hits, walked two and struck out five in his second major league outing of the season.

Yankees starter Jameson Taillon allowed one run and five hits, walking one and striking out seven in a season-high seven innings.

Golf

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oil.

Zalatoris and Cameron Young each caught Pereira, ever so briefly. All of them found trouble in the rough and in the sand. Thomas nearly holed a long bunker shot on the 16th, made birdie from a

left bunker on the reachable 17th and had a 10-foot birdie putt he thought he needed at the end.

He missed, and got a reprieve.

Pereira was on the cusp of becoming Chile's first major champion, and giving South America the career Grand Slam.

Even after five bogeys, he never lost the lead and delivered clutch par saves from the bunker left of

the ninth green and from well behind the 10th green. None was bigger than his 12-foot putt on the 16th to stay one shot ahead.

It all came undone with one swing.

His sawed-off swing with the driver, so effective on the previous hole, peeled to the right and into the creek down the right side of the 18th fairway. After a penalty drop,

his approach up the hill started left and never cut back, landing in the rough. His chip rolled off the back edge of the green.

His double bogey gave him a 75, a hard-luck end to such a promising week.

"On Monday, I just wanted to make the cut. On Sunday, I wanted to win," Pereira said. "I'll take this to learn for the future."

BASEBALL

AMERICAN LEAGUE

EAST	W	L	PCT	GB	WCGB	L10	STR	HOME	AWAY
New York	29	11	.725	—	—	7-3	L-1	15-5	14-6
Tampa Bay	24	17	.585	5 ½	—	6-4	L-1	13-9	11-8
Toronto	22	19	.537	7 ½	—	5-5	L-1	14-8	8-11
Boston	19	22	.463	10 ½	3	8-2	W-5	10-10	9-12
Baltimore	17	25	.405	13	5 ½	3-7	W-1	12-11	5-14

CENTRAL	W	L	PCT	GB	WCGB	L10	STR	HOME	AWAY
Minnesota	25	16	.610	—	—	7-3	W-4	13-8	12-8
Chicago	20	20	.500	4 ½	1 ½	5-5	W-1	9-10	11-10
Cleveland	17	20	.459	6	3	4-6	L-1	8-8	9-12
Detroit	14	26	.350	10 ½	7 ½	5-5	W-1	9-13	5-13
Kansas City	14	26	.350	10 ½	7 ½	3-7	L-4	8-15	6-11

WEST	W	L	PCT	GB	WCGB	L10	STR	HOME	AWAY
Houston	27	15	.643	—	—	6-4	W-2	12-5	15-10
Los Angeles	26	17	.605	1 ½	—	5-5	W-2	14-8	12-9
Texas	18	22	.450	8	3 ½	5-5	L-2	10-12	8-10
Seattle	17	25	.405	10	5 ½	3-7	L-4	9-7	8-18
Oakland	17	26	.395	10 ½	6	3-7	L-2	6-14	11-12

BOX SCORES

BOSTON 8, SEATTLE 4 (10)

Seattle	AB	R	H	BI	SO	AVG
Frazier 2b	5	1	3	3	1	.264
France 1b	5	0	2	0	1	.325
Crawford ss	5	0	0	0	1	.289
Rodriguez cf	4	0	0	0	2	.268
Winker lf	4	0	1	0	1	.217
Suarez 3b	4	1	1	1	3	.225
Ford dh	3	0	1	0	2	.190
1-Haggerty dh	1	1	0	0	0	.000
Raleigh c	3	0	0	0	2	.087
b-Torrrens ph-c	1	0	0	0	0	.194
Trammell rf	1	1	0	0	1	.000
a-Moore ph-rf	2	0	1	0	0	.171
TOTALS	38	4	9	4	14	

Boston	AB	R	H	BI	SO	AVG
Hernandez cf	5	1	2	1	0	.195
Devers 3b	4	1	1	0	2	.335
Bogaerts ss	3	1	0	1	1	.325
Story 2b	4	1	1	1	1	.236
Cordero lf	5	1	1	4	0	.231
Arroyo dh	4	1	1	1	1	.190
Bradley Jr. rf	4	0	2	0	1	.203
Dalbec 1b	4	1	0	0	0	.160
Plawecki c	3	1	1	0	1	.159
a-Vazquez ph	1	0	1	0	0	.250
TOTALS	37	8	10	8	7	

Two outs when winning run scored. a-flieed out for Trammell in the 8th.

b-grounded out for Raleigh in the 10th. c-singled for Plawecki in the 10th.

1-ran for Ford in the 7th. **LOB:** Seattle 6, Boston 5. **2B:** France (8), Hernandez (13), Bradley Jr. (21). **HR:** Frazier (2), off Eovaldi; Suarez (3b), off Robles; Arroyo (2), off Gilbert; Story (7), off Gilbert; Cordero (1), off Munoz. **RBIs:** Frazier (317), Suarez (21), Arroyo (5), Bogaerts (17), Story (29), Hernandez (17), Cordero (47). **SF:** Bogaerts. **Runners left in scoring position:** Seattle 2 (Crawford, Winker); Boston 4 (Cordero 2, Dalbec, Plawecki). **RISP:** Seattle 2for 9; Boston 4for 9. **Runners moved up:** Crawford. **GIDP:** Crawford. **DP:** Boston 1 (Story, Bogaerts, Dalbec).

SEATTLE	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
Gilbert	7	5	3	2	4	2.60	
Festa	1	0	0	0	2	.485	
Sewald	1	0	0	0	1	.257	
Munoz, L, 1-2, BS, 1-3 ½	4	5	4	1	1	.06	
BOSTON	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
Eovaldi	6 ½	4	2	2	1	11	.410
Davis, H, 2 ½	2	0	0	0	1	1.96	
Robles, BS, 2-5 ½	1 ½	2	1	1	0	0	2.65
Diekman, W, 1-0	1	0	0	0	2	1.35	
Inherited runners-scored: Davis 1-0, Robles 1-0. IBB: off Gilbert (Devers), off Munoz (Bogaerts). T: 3:18. A: 33,896.							

WASHINGTON 8, MILWAUKEE 2

Washington	AB	R	H	BI	SO	AVG
Hernandez 2b	4	2	2	1	1	.276
Ruiz c	5	1	1	1	1	.288
Soto rf	5	0	1	2	0	.243
Cruz dh	3	0	2	1	0	.204
a-Adams ph-dh2	0	1	0	1	0	.214
Bell 1b	5	0	0	0	1	.291
Hernandez lf	4	1	2	0	0	.321
Franco 3b	4	2	2	0	0	.267
Thomas cf	4	1	2	2	1	.228
Str-Gordon ss	4	1	1	1	1	.216
TOTALS	40	8	14	8	6	
Milwaukee	AB	R	H	BI	SO	AVG
Wong 2b	3	0	1	0	0	.235
McCutchen lf	4	0	0	1	1	.250
Yellich dh	4	0	0	0	2	.243
Tellez 1b	3	0	1	0	0	.246
Renfro rf	4	0	1	0	1	.268
Narvaez c	4	0	0	0	1	.241
Taylor cf	4	1	2	1	0	.228
Peterson 3b	3	1	1	0	0	.217
Brosseau ss	2	0	1	0	0	.298
TOTALS	31	2	8	2	5	

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a-singled for Cruz in the 7th. **E:** Brosseau (4), Peterson (2). **LOB:** Washington 6, Milwaukee 6. **2B:** Thomas (25), Ruiz (9). **HR:** Taylor (3), off Sanchez. **RBIs:** Thomas (215), Cruz (21), Strange-Gordon (2), Hernandez (9), Ruiz (12), Soto (213), Taylor (12), McCutchen (16). **S:** Peterson. **Runners left in scoring position:** Washington 3 (Bell, Strange-Gordon, Hernandez); Milwaukee 1 (Yellich). **RISP:** Washington 1for 12; Milwaukee 1for 4. **Runners moved up:** Soto 2 (GIDP: Bell, Ruiz, Wong, Narvaez, Yellich. **DP:** Was 3; Mil 2.

WASHINGTON	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
Sanchez, W, 3-3	5	7	2	2	2	1	4.36
Rogers 1 ½	1	0	0	0	0	7.17	
Cishek ½	0	0	0	0	1	5.06	
Finnegan	1	0	0	0	0	1.52	
Rainey	1	0	0	0	0	1.09	
MILWAUKEE	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
Peralta, L, 3-2	3	6	5	5	1	2	4.42
Suter	2	5	3	3	0	2	5.14
Perdomo	3	3	0	0	0	2	3.57
Milner	1	0	0	0	0	2.45	
Inherited runners-scored: Suter 2-2. T: 3:03. A: 39,822 (41,900).							

N.Y. METS 2, COLORADO 0

NY METS	AB	R	H	BI	SO	AVG
Nimmo cf	4	1	1	0	0	.293
Lindor ss	4	1	2	1	1	.239
McNeil 2b	4	0	1	0	0	.306
Alonso 1b	4	0	0	1	1	.279
Do-Smith 1b	0	0	0	0	0	.189
Canha lf	4	0	1	0	1	.284
Davis dh	3	0	0	0	1	.188
Gullormice 3b	3	0	2	0	0	.338
Nido c	3	0	0	0	0	.200
Jankowski rf	3	0	0	0	0	.225
TOTALS	32	2	7	2	4	
COLORADO	AB	R	H	BI	SO	AVG
Joe 1b	3	0	0	0	0	.281
Daza cf	3	0	0	0	1	.354
Bryant lf	2	0	0	0	1	.270
Cron dh	4	0	1	0	2	.329
McMahon 3b	4	0	0	0	1	.259
Grichuk rf	4	0	1	0	2	.282
Rodgers 2b	4	0	2	0	0	.242
Iglesias ss	4	0	1	0	1	.304
Serven c	4	0	1	0	1	.300
TOTALS	32	0	6	0	9	

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E: Grichuk (1). **LOB:** NeYM 3, Col 9. **2B:** McNeil (12). **RBIs:** Lindor (24), Alonso (37). **Runners left in scoring position:** New York 2 (Canha, Nimmo); Colorado 4 (McMahon 2, Joe, Serven). **RISP:** New York 1for 5; Colorado 0for 6. **Runners moved up:** Nido, Jankowski, Alonso, Iglesias, Daza. **GIDP:** Davis, Alonso, Iglesias. **DP:** NYM 1; Col 2.

NY METS	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
Walker, W, 2-0	7	5	0	0	2	6	2.70
Ottavino, H, 4 ½	½	0	0	0	2	1.394	
Rodriguez, H, 4 ½	½	0	0	0	0	3.86	
Ed.Diaz, S, 10-12	1	1	0	0	0	2	4.00
COLORADO	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
Gomber, L, 2-4	7	7	2	2	0	2	4.11
Gilbreath	1	0	0	0	0	0	9.35
Kinley	1	0	0	0	0	2	0.59
Inherited runners-scored: Rodriguez 2-0. T: 2:34. A: 35,248 (50,445).							

PHILADELPHIA 4, L.A. DODGERS 3 (10)

LA Dodgers	AB	R	H	BI	SO	AVG
Betts rf	4	2	1	1	3	.273
Freeman 1b	5	0	0	0	0	.301
T.Turner ss	5	0	3	1	2	.290
Rios dh	3	1	1	1	1	.267
Muncy 2b	4	0	0	0	2	.156
J.Turner 3b	5	0	0	0	2	.207
Bellinger cf	4	0	1	0	2	.215
Lux lf	3	0	0	0	1	.255
c-Taylor ph-lf	0	0	0	0	0	.240
Barnes c	4	0	0	0	1	.245
TOTALS	37	3	6	3	14	

Philadelphia	AB	R	H	BI	SO	AVG
Hoskins 1b	4	0	0	0	1	.228
Quinn cf	1	1	1	0	0	.172
Bohm 3b	5	0	1	0	3	.286
Harper dh	4	0	0	0	2	.295
Castellanos rf	4	1	2	0	0	.265
Schwarber lf	3	0	1	0	2	.203
Segura 2b	4	0	1	1	0	.290
Herrera cf	2	0	0	0	1	.243
a-Realmuto 1b	1	0	0	0	1	.224
Stubbs c	2	2	2	1	0	.400
Stott ss	2	0	0	0	1	.131
b-Camargo ss	1	0	0	0	1	.260
TOTALS	33	4	8	2	12	

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Two outs when winning run scored. a-hit by pitch for Herrera in the 8th. b-walked for Stott in the 8th. c-intentionally walked for Lux in the 9th. **E:** Muncy (4), Realmuto (4). **LOB:** Los Angeles 10, Philadelphia 6. **2B:** T.Turner (11), Castellanos (10). **HR:** Betts (10), off Eflin; Rios (5), off Eflin; Stubbs (1), off Gonsolin. **RBIs:** Betts (24), Rios (13), T.Turner (29), Stubbs (3), Segura (16). **SB:** Bellinger (5). **S:** Stubbs. **Runners left in scoring position:** Los Angeles 5 (Barnes 2, J.Turner 2, Rios); Philadelphia 2 (Hoskins, Realmuto). **RISP:** Los Angeles 1for 9; Philadelphia 2for 6. **Runners moved up:** Lux, Stott. **GIDP:** Muncy, Hoskins, Segura, Harper. **DP:** Los Angeles 3 (J.Turner, T.Turner, Freeman); Muncy, Muncy, Freeman; J.Turner, Muncy, Freeman; Philadelphia 1 (Segura, Stott, Hoskins).

LA DODGERS	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
Gonsolin	6	3	1	1	1	7	1.62
Vesia, H, 5 ½	1	1	0	0	0	2	2.25
Bruihl, H, 2 ½	0	1	0	0	1	0	2.45
Almonte, BS, 0-1 ½	½	2	1	1	1	2	1.50
Phillips, L, 1-2 ½	½	2	2	0	0	1	2.81
BS, 0-2							
PHILADELPHIA	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
Eflin	7	4	2	2	2	12	3.65
Dominguez	1	1	0	0	0	1	2.16
Alvarado	1	0	0	0	1	7.30	
Knebel, W, 1-3	1	1	1	0	2	1	3.18
Inherited runners-scored: Almonte 2-0. IBB: off Alvarado (Taylor), off Almonte (Schwarber), off Knebel (Rios). HBP: Bruihl (Realmuto). PB: Barnes (1), Stubbs (2). Umpires: Home, Dan Merzel; First, Manny Gonzalez; Second, Chris Conroy; Third, Carlos Torres. T: 3:29. A: 34,021 (42,792).							

BALTIMORE 7, TAMPA BAY 6 (11)

Tampa Bay	AB	R	H	BI	SO	AVG
Kiermaier cf	6	2	2	1	1	.245
Arozarena lf	5	0	2	1	2	.258
Choi 1b	5	1	3	1	2	.272
Ramirez dh	6	0	0	0	0	.280
Brujan 2b-rf	5	1	1	0	0	.148
Paredes 3b	5	1	1	3	1	.202
Phillips rf	3	1	3	0	0	.269
b-Franco ph-ss-1	0	0	0	0	0	.221
Zunino c	5	0	0	0	2	.148
Walls ss-2b	5	0	0	0	3	.149
TOTALS	46	6	12	6	12	
Baltimore	AB	R	H	BI	SO	AVG
Mullins cf	6	0	1	0	1	.249
Perez p	0	0	0	0	0	---
Mancini rf-1b	3	0	0	0	0	.297
Santander lf-rf	6	1	1	0	4	.233
Mountcastle 1b4	2	2	1	1	0	.262
1-McKenna cf	1	1	0	0	1	.227
Rutschman dh-cs	1	1	0	0	0	.250
Urias 3b	4	1	1	1	0	.270
2-Owings 3b	0	1	0	0	0	.140
Odor 2b	6	0	2	1	0	.217
Chirinos c	4	0	0	0	0	.133
a-Hays ph-lf	1	0	1	2	0	.288
Mateo ss	4	0	0	0	0	.212
TOTALS	44	7	10	5	7	

NATIONAL SPORTS REPORT

SHORTS

Man City rallies, retains EPL crown

Manchester City clinched a sixth Premier League title in 11 seasons Sunday by scoring three times in five minutes to come from behind to beat Aston Villa 3-2 in the finale and hold off Liverpool's challenge. After starting the day in first place, City was at risk of an historic choke when it conceded twice to trail 2-0 at home to Villa. It took İlkay Gündoğan's header to begin the comeback in the 76th and Rodri equalized two minutes later by placing the ball through a tight gap into the bottom corner. The Etihad Stadium erupted in celebrations in the 81st when Gündoğan tapped in Kevin De Bruyne's cross. The importance of that goal became clearer moments later. Liverpool had been locked at 1-1 against Wolverhampton but Mohamed Salah then put the second-place team 2-1 in front in the 84th minute. That scoreline would have taken Liverpool into first had City not just mounted its fightback. The jeopardy was still there — with Andy Robertson sealing Liverpool's 3-1 win — while City would have conceded the title had it conceded a late equalizer. But Pep Guardiola's side held on to retain the trophy on the final day by a single point in a manner that was more jittery than expected considering City had a 14-point lead in January.

Record Indy 500 pole run for Dixon



Scott Dixon used a breathtaking run of more than 234 mph to post the fastest Indianapolis 500 pole run in history. The New Zealander will lead the field to green in "The Greatest Spectacle in Racing" for the fifth time in his career. Considered the best driver of his generation, Dixon turned four laps Sunday at an average of 234.046 mph around Indianapolis Motor Speedway. His average broke Scott Brayton's pole-winning record set in 1996 of 233.718 mph. Arie Luyendyk holds the four-lap qualifying record of 236.986 mph, also done in 1996, but not in a run for the pole. That means Dixon's qualifying run was the second fastest in 106 runnings of the most prestigious race in the world. Dixon's first lap was an eye-popping 234.437 mph. His second lap was 234.162 and wife Emma bent over the pit wall in amazement, her hands covering her mouth. Dixon's drop-off from there was miniscule: his final lap was 233.726 as his consistency gave Chip Ganassi Racing its seventh Indy 500 pole. Dixon also started from the pole in 2008 when he scored his only Indy 500 win, as well as 2015, 2017 and last year.

Belmont field: Already big ins, outs

Twelve hours before Early Voting won the Preakness, Kentucky Derby champion Rich Strike was back on the track at Churchill Downs to begin preparations for the Belmont Stakes. After impressing with a strong workout, Rich Strike remains on track for the third leg of the Triple Crown. Trainer Eric Reed confirmed to The AP on Sunday the plan is "absolutely" still to run Rich Strike in the Belmont. But there won't be a showdown between the surprise Derby champion and the Preakness winner. Early Voting's owner and trainer confirmed the colt will bypass the Belmont; they plan to run him this summer with the ultimate goal of getting him ready for the \$1.25 million Travers Stakes at Saratoga Race Course in New York on Aug. 27. Owner Seth Klarman and trainer Chad Brown cast doubt on the Belmont minutes after Early Voting held off favorite Epicenter to win the 1 3/16-mile Preakness, citing the mile-and-a-half distance as an obstacle. Epicenter, the first horse in a decade to finish second in both the Derby and Preakness, likely won't be brought back for the Belmont, which would be a third race in five weeks. D. Wayne Lukas-trained filly Secret Oath, fourth in the Preakness, also won't run in the Belmont. —AP



Stewart Cink began Sunday's final round of the PGA Championship tied for seventh but finished tied for 23rd. **SUE OGRICK/AP**

PGA CHAMPIONSHIP NOTES

Not the same old story

At 49, Cink can't repeat Lefty's win for the ages

By **Jim Vertuno**
Associated Press

TULSA, Okla. — There would be no repeat celebration for golf's old guard Sunday.

Stewart Cink was the elder statesman on the PGA Championship leaderboard when the 49-year-old started the final round at Southern Hills tied for seventh and hoping to follow up Phil Mickelson's stunning win at 50 last year.

A victory to match Mickelson would have made Cink the second-oldest major champion in history.

It was not to be.

Cink shot a 1-over 71 in tough conditions Saturday on his birthday and entered the final round seven shots behind then-leader Mito Pereira.

The 2009 British Open champion said he felt "as physically capable as ever" and able to keep up with the length of the younger generation. He won the Heritage last year at age 47.

Cink needed a fast start to have any chance, but two bogeys on his first three holes, including a second shot that flew the green on the third, all but ended his chase for a second major. He closed with a 4-over 74.

Rory's run

Two-time PGA champion Rory McIlroy had the gallery buzzing when he went charging out with four birdies in the first five holes Sunday.

That got him to 4-under and think-

ing that if he could post a big score, that could put the Northern Irishman in a play for a fifth career major and his first since 2014 if the leaders faltered.

They did, but he didn't.

The early buzz turned into a grind when McIlroy's putts shaved the lip of the cup time and again, settling for pars instead of continuing his climb up the leaderboard. He closed with a 68 that could have been a lot lower.

The putter finally worked when it was all but too late: McIlroy was left shaking his head about what could have been when he buried an 11-footer for par on the closing hole.

Big 3, big flop

Refurbished Southern Hills was expected to be good hunting ground for the top three players in the world to add another major championship.

The course and Tulsa's wacky weather chewed them up instead.

Masters champion and world No. 1 Scottie Scheffler came in as the hottest player in golf and missed the cut. Second-ranked Jon Rahm and third-ranked Collin Morikawa barely made the weekend and started Sunday's final round at the back of the pack.

Over the course of four days, the top three played one round under par between them.

Rahm and Morikawa finally attacked the course when it was far too late.

Rahm shot a 2-under 68 on Sunday. Morikawa was going backward all morning and was 11 over for the tournament before he closed with four birdies over the last six holes to shoot 70.

"It was just tough. I never got in a

rhythm. Guys are playing this course pretty well. I just couldn't figure it out," Morikawa said.

"You know, I'm going to have to go back and look at this week and figure out what was wrong. 'Just not a lot of good. Just a lot of just grind.'"

Warm hands

Rickie Fowler made his way around the course looking like a barbecue pit master with the big hand warmers he was wearing when the weekend morning temperatures were still in the 50s.

The black and gray gloves are so large they resemble oven mitts.

Fowler made no apologies for the look on a day some players were in shirt sleeves while others wore jackets.

"That's your lifeline," Fowler said Sunday.

"I may look soft with these on ... I got warm hands."

Fowler, a two-time All-American at Oklahoma State, sported bright orange pants and closed with a 70 to finish in a tie for 23rd (2 over), his second-best showing in 10 events this year.

Cowboys' turf

Fowler wasn't the only former Oklahoma State player to enjoy a solid week at Southern Hills.

Talor Gooch, an actual Oklahoma native who played his college golf for the Cowboys, shot a final-round 68 to finish tied for 20th at 1 over.

"It's a dream come true," the 30-year-old Gooch said earlier in the week, "for an Oklahoma kid to go to Oklahoma State and play the PGA Championship at Southern Hills."

FRENCH OPEN

Thiem's struggles continue in Paris

By **Howard Fendrich** | Associated Press

PARIS — It used to come so easily for Dominic Thiem on a tennis court — his powerful forehand, his elegant backhand, his hit-which-shot-when calculations, all fine-tuned to the point of a title at the U.S. Open and three other Grand Slam final appearances, including two at Roland Garros.

Nowadays, even though the pain from last year's torn tendon in his right wrist is no longer there, the strokes and, most disconcertingly, the wherewithal, aren't what they once were, to the extent that his first-round exit at the French Open on Sunday was his 10th consecutive loss.

The situation has become dire enough that Thiem, a 28-year-old Austrian once ranked No. 3 but now No. 194, acknowledged after being beaten 6-3, 6-2, 6-4 by Hugo Dellien that perhaps it's time for him to head to the lower-level Challenger Tour to get a win and gain some confidence.

After lamenting his forehand, his backhand and a too-low first-serve percentage, Thiem got to the bigger issue: "Sometimes, I do really stupid decisions during the rally, drop shots or down-the-line (groundstrokes) at the wrong moment. (In) match match situations, I'm not playing well. ... Then, for example, there was one game today where I did four or five forehand return mistakes in a row, where I'm thinking, 'What the heck is happening?'"

His quick departure wasn't the only noteworthy development on an occasionally drizzly Day 1 at the year's second Slam, which welcomed back pre-pandemic sights and sounds of full attendance and no masks in the stands.

Carlos Alcaraz, the 19-year-old from Spain who's seeded No. 6 and a popular pick to win his first Grand Slam trophy, advanced just as cleanly and quickly as expected against "lucky loser" Juan Ignacio Londero 6-4, 6-2, 6-0 in the day's last match at Court Philippe Chatrier. Another teen, 18-year-old American Coco Gauff, also moved on, beating Canadian qualifier Rebecca Marino 7-5, 6-0.

Given Thiem's troubles — sure, he was the runner-up to Rafael Nadal in Paris in 2018 and 2019, and to Novak Djokovic at the Australian Open in 2020, but his last victory came in May 2021 — there were other results that probably were more surprising.

Chiefly in that category would be No. 6 seed Ons Jabeur's 3-6, 7-6 (4), 7-5 loss to 56th-ranked Magda Linette of Poland.

Jabeur, a Tunisian who's the first Arab woman to win a WTA title and first to reach a Slam quarterfinal, acknowledged: "I was expecting myself to go far."

As were others. That's because Jabeur began the day with a tour-leading 17 wins on clay this season. She won the the Madrid Open and made it to the Italian Open final.

Another top-10 women's seed — and the 2016 champion at the place — was sent home when Garbine Muguruza was defeated 2-6, 6-3, 6-4 by 46th-ranked Kaia Kanepi of Estonia. Muguruza beat Serena Williams in the final at Roland Garros six years ago and Venus Williams in the final at Wimbledon in 2017, but she now has lost her opening match in Paris two straight years.

Avoiding that sort of result was the men's No. 9 seed, Felix Auger-Aliassime, who took care of two missing items on his resume in one afternoon: He picked up a French Open victory for the first time in three tries and he won a match after dropping the opening two sets.

The 20-year-old Canadian came back to eliminate Juan Pablo Varillas, a qualifier from Peru making his Grand Slam debut, by a score of 2-6, 2-6, 6-1, 6-3, 6-3.



Dominic Thiem, above, fell to Hugo Dellien in straight sets Sunday. It was his 10th loss in a row. **CHRISTOPHE ARCHAMBAULT/AFP-GETTY**

At a glance

LOOKAHEAD TO MONDAY: The second day at Roland Garros features quite a lineup in Court Philippe Chatrier, with matches involving No. 1 seed Iga Swiatek and defending champ Barbora Krejickova in the afternoon. They'll be followed into the main stadium by 13-time champ Rafael Nadal. And Novak Djokovic will wrap things up in the night session as he opens defense of his 2021 title as the No. 1 seed. It's a good thing Chatrier now has a retractable roof, because there's plenty of rain in the forecast.

SUNDAY'S KEY RESULTS

Women's first round: Magda Linette beat No. 6 Ons Jabeur 3-6, 7-6 (4), 7-5; Kaia Kanepi beat No. 10 Garbiñe Muguruza 2-6, 6-3, 6-4; No. 18 Coco Gauff beat Rebecca Marino 7-5, 6-0.

Men's first round: Hugo Dellien beat Dominic Thiem 6-3, 6-2, 6-4; No. 6 Carlos Alcaraz beat Juan Ignacio Londero 6-4, 6-2, 6-0; No. 9 Felix Auger-Aliassime beat Juan Pablo Varillas 2-6, 2-6, 6-1, 6-3, 6-3.

QUOTE OF THE DAY

"I'm really happy with the performance in my first match in Philippe Chatrier and hope to play more matches in this court." — Alcaraz, the 19-year-old Spaniard and new star of tennis

SCOREBOARD

NBA

PLAYOFFS
CONFERENCE FINALS
(Best-of-7; x-if necessary)
EASTERN CONFERENCE
#1 Miami 2, #2 Boston 1
May 17: Miami 118-107
May 19: Boston 127-102
May 21: Miami 109-103
Monday: at Boston, 8:30 p.m.
Wednesday: at Miami, 8:30 p.m.
x-Friday: at Boston, 8:30 p.m.
x-May 29: at Miami, 8:30 p.m.

WESTERN CONFERENCE
#3 Golden State 2, #4 Dallas 0
May 18: Golden State 112-87
May 20: Golden State 122-115
Sunday: at Dallas, late
Tuesday: at Dallas, 9 p.m.
x-Thursday: at Golden State, 9 p.m.
x-Saturday: at Dallas, 9 p.m.
x-May 30: at Golden State, 8 p.m.

PLAYOFF 3-POINT FG LEADERS				
PLAYER	TEAM	3P	3PA	3P%
Stephen Curry	GS	102	272	.375
Jayson Tatum	Bos	92	246	.374
Reggie Bullock	Dal	88	220	.400
Klay Thompson	GS	88	222	.396
Desmond Bane	Mem	86	176	.489
Max Strus	Mia	84	232	.362
Luka Doncic	Dal	82	230	.357
D. Finney-Smith	Dal	78	184	.424
Jaylen Brown	Bos	72	182	.396

WNBA				
EASTERN				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Connecticut	4	1	.800	—
Washington	5	2	.714	—
Atlanta	4	2	.667	½
Chicago	3	2	.600	1
Indiana	2	6	.250	3½
New York	1	4	.200	3
WESTERN				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Las Vegas	6	1	.857	—
Dallas	4	2	.667	½
Seattle	3	3	.500	2½
Phoenix	2	4	.333	3½
Los Angeles	2	4	.333	3½
Minnesota	1	6	.143	5

SUNDAY'S RESULTS
Connecticut 92, Indiana 70
Chicago 82, Washington 73

MONDAY'S GAME
Los Angeles at Las Vegas, 10p.m.

TUESDAY'S GAMES
Atlanta at Washington, 7p.m.
Dallas at Connecticut, 7p.m.
Indiana at Chicago, 8p.m.
New York at Minnesota, 8p.m.

SATURDAY'S RESULTS
Las Vegas 100, Phoenix 80
Dallas 94, Minnesota 78

AUTO RACING

INDIANAPOLIS 500 LINEUP
Race May 29at Indianapolis Ind.) Motor
Speedway

PP	#	DRIVER	MK	MPH
Row 1				
1	9	Scott Dixon	D-H	234.046
2	10	Alex Palou	D-H	233.499
3	21	Rinus VeeKay	D-H	233.385
Row 2				
4	33	Ed Carpenter	D-C	233.080
5	8	Marcus Ericsson	D-H	232.764
6	1	Tony Kanaan	D-H	232.372
Row 3				
7	5	Pato O'Ward	D-C	232.705
8	7	Felix Rosenqvist	D-C	232.182
9	28	Romain Grosjean	D-H	231.999
Row 4				
10	51	Takuma Sato	D-H	231.670
11	12	Will Power	D-C	231.534
12	48	Jimmie Johnson	D-H	231.264
Row 5				
13	24	David Malukas	D-H	231.607
14	2	Josef Newgarden	D-C	231.580
15	23	Santino Ferrucci	D-C	231.508
Row 6				
16	60	Simon Pagenaud	D-H	231.275
17	11	JR Hildebrand	D-C	231.112
18	20	Conor Daly	D-C	230.999
Row 7				
19	77	Callum Ilott	D-C	230.916
20	27	Alexander Rossi	D-H	230.812
21	15	Graham Rahal	D-H	230.766
Row 8				
22	24	Sage Karam	D-C	230.464
23	98	Marcio Andretti	D-H	230.345
24	29	Devlin DeFrancesco	D-H	230.326
Row 9				
25	26	Colton Herta	D-H	230.135
26	33	Scott McLaughlin	D-C	230.254
27	06	Helio Castroneves	D-H	229.630
Row 10				
28	14	Kyle Kirkwood	D-C	229.406
29	4	Dalton Kellett	D-C	228.916
30	6	Juan P. Montoya	D-C	228.622
Row 11				
31	30	Christian Lundgaard	D-H	227.053
32	45	Jack Harvey	D-H	226.851
33	25	Stefan Wilson	D-C	no speed
all chassis Dallara; C-Chevrolet; H-Honda				

NASCAR CUP SERIES
NASCAR ALL-STAR OPEN
At Texas Motor Speedway; Fort Worth, Texas. Lap length: 1.50 miles
(Car number in parentheses)

- (2) Daniel Suárez, Chevrolet, 50laps, 0 points.
- (7) Austin Dillon, Chevrolet, 50, 0.
- (6) Justin Haley, Chevrolet, 50, 0.
- (8) Corey LaJoie, Chevrolet, 50, 0.
- (4) Erik Jones, Chevrolet, 50, 0.
- (12) Ty Dillon, Chevrolet, 50, 0.
- (10) Cole Custer, Ford, 50, 0.
- (14) Todd Gilliland, Ford, 50, 0.
- (13) Cody Ware, Ford, 50, 0.
- (10) Garrett Smithley, Ford, 50, 0.
- (11) BJ McLeod, Ford, 50, 0.
- (1) Tyler Reddick, Chevrolet, accident, 42, 0.
- (9) Harrison Burton, Ford, accident, 42, 0.
- (5) Chris Buescher, Ford, garage, 40, 0.
- (11) Landon Cassill, Chevrolet, accident, 25, 0.
- (3) Ricky Stenhouse Jr, Chevrolet, garage, 20, 0.

NASCAR POINTS LEADERS

Through May 15

- Chase Elliott, 475.
- Ryan Blaney, 423.
- Kyle Busch, 417.
- William Byron, 415.
- Ross Chastain, 407.
- Martin Truex Jr, 400.
- Joey Logano, 396.
- Alex Bowman, 386.
- Kyle Larson, 376.
- Christopher Bell, 359.
- Aric Almirola, 322.
- Austin Dillon, 311.
- Chase Briscoe, 300.
- Tyler Reddick, 300.
- Austin Cindric, 291.
- Erik Jones, 290.
- Kurt Busch, 283.
- Daniel Suárez, 273.

HORSE RACING

147 TH PREAKNESS STAKES

13th Race at Pimlico, Saturday May 21, 2022; 13-16Miles Dirt. Purse \$1,000,000, 3-Year-Olds.

Horse	Wgt	PP	St	1/4	1/2	3/4	Str	Fin	Jockey	Odds
Early Voting	126	5	32-1	1/2-21	22-11	21-31/2	1-11/4	J. Ortiz	5.75	
Epicenter	126	8	6	8-2	8-2	7-hd	3-1/2	J. Rosario	1.20	
Creative Minister	126	2	8	51/2	5-2	3-hd	4-hd	BHrmdz Jr.	10.00	
Secret Oath	126	4	1	9	9	8-7	5-2	4-11/4	L. Saez	5.00
Skippylongstocking	126	9	2	7	16-1/2	6-hd	11-2	5-no	JAlvrdo	12.60
Simplification	126	1	7	3-1/2	4-1	4-1	7-8	6-11/4	J. Velazquez	8.10
Armagnac	126	7	41-21	21-11	2-1/2	1-2	7-101/2	10rtiz Jr.	18.40	
Happy Jack	126	6	5	4-1	3-hd	5-1	8-15	8-211/4	F. Gallafione	11.90
Fenwick	126	3	9	6-1/2	7-hd	9	9	9	F.Geroux	13.20
Time	24.32	47.44			1:11.50	1:35.55	1:54.54			
(1G)	Early Voting					13.40	4.60		3.60	
(2G)	Epicerter						2.80		2.40	
(3G)	Creative Minister								4.20	
\$0.2Pick 6(Jackpot (3-2-10-14/9-2/10-5) 6Correct Paid \$1,493.60										
\$0.5Pick 5(2-10-14/9-2/10-5) 5Correct Paid \$1,249.70.										
\$0.5Pick 4(10-14/9-2/10-5) 4Correct Paid \$72.25.										
\$0.5Pick 3(14/9-2/10-5) 3Correct Paid \$18.60.										
\$1Super High Five (5-8-2-4-9) paid \$651.90.										
\$1Trifecta (5-8-2) paid \$66.50.										
\$1Daily Double (2-5) paid \$12.30.										
\$2Daily Double (BES/PRKNSS 9-5) paid \$101.00.										
\$1Exacta (5-8) paid \$12.90										
\$1Superfecta (5-8-2-4) paid \$162.90.										
Trainer: Chad Brown, Klaravich Stables Inc.										
Winner: Early Voting, Dark Bay or Brown Colt, by Gun Runner out of Amour d'Ete, by Tiznow. Foaled Mar 07, 2019 in Kentucky.										

NHL

STANLEY CUP PLAYOFFS

SECOND ROUND

(Best-of-7; x-if necessary)

EASTERN CONFERENCE
Carolina 2, N.Y. Rangers 1
May 18: Carolina 2-1 (OT)
May 20: Carolina 2-0
Sunday: at N.Y. Rangers 3-1
Tuesday: at N.Y. Rangers, 7 p.m.
Thursday: at Carolina, TBA
x-Saturday: at N.Y. Rangers, TBA
x-May 30: at Carolina, TBA

Tampa Bay 3, Florida 0
May 17: Tampa Bay 4-1
May 19: Tampa Bay 2-1
Sunday: Tampa Bay 5-1.
Monday: at Tampa Bay, 7 p.m.
x-Wednesday: at Florida, TBA
x-Friday: at Tampa Bay, TBA
x-May 29: at Florida, TBA

WESTERN CONFERENCE
Calgary 1, Edmonton 1
May 18: Calgary 9-6
May 20: Edmonton 5-3
Sunday: at Edmonton, late
Tuesday: at Edmonton, 9:30 p.m.
Thursday: at Calgary, TBA
x-Saturday: at Edmonton, TBA
x-May 30: at Calgary, TBA

Colorado 2, St. Louis 1
May 17: Colorado 3-2 (OT)
May 19: St. Louis 4-1
May 21: Colorado 5-2
Monday: at St. Louis, 9:30 p.m.
Wednesday: at Colorado, TBA
x-Friday: at St. Louis, TBA
x-May 29: at Colorado, TBA

PLAYOFF POINTS LEADERS				
PLAYER	TMGP	G	A	PT
Connor McDavid	EDM9	6	14	20
Leon Draisaitl	EDM9	7	8	15
Johnny Gaudreau	CGY9	2	11	13
Ryan O'Reilly	STL9	7	5	12
Carter Verhaeghe	FLA8	6	6	12
Nikita Kucherov	TBL9	3	8	11
Cale Makar	COL7	3	8	11
Brad Marchand	BOS7	4	7	11
David Perron	STL9	7	4	11
Mika Zibanejad	NYR9	3	8	11

TENNIS

126TH FRENCH OPEN

At Stade Roland Garros, Paris Red clay-outdoors

MEN'S SINGLES, FIRST ROUND
#3 Alexander Zverev d. Sebastian Ofner, 6-2, 6-4, 6-4.
#6 Carlos Alcaraz d. Juan Ignacio Londero, 6-4, 6-2, 6-0.
#9 Felix Auger-Aliassime d. Juan Pablo Varillas, 2-6, 2-3, 6-1, 6-3, 6-3.
#15 Diego Schwartzman d. Andrey Kuznetsov, 6-3, 1-6, 6-4, 6-2.
#18 Grigor Dimitrov d. Marcos Giron, 6-1, 6-1, 6-1.
#23 John Isner, d. Quentin Halys, 7-6(3), 4-6, 7-6(1), 7-6(6).
#21 Karen Khachanov d. Nuno Borges, 6-3, 2-6, 6-4, 6-1.
Tallon Griekspoor d. #25 Alejandro Davidovich Fokina, 2-6, 6-0, 6-4, 6-3.
#26 Botic Van de Zandschulp d. Pavel Kotov, 6-3, 6-3, 6-3, 6-2.
Pablo Cuevas d. #31 Jenson Brooksby, 6-2, 6-1, 6-2.
Hugo Dellien d. Dominic Thiem, 6-3, 6-2, 6-4.
Aljaz Bedene d. Christopher O'Connell, 6-2, 6-4, 6-7(5), 6-1.
Jaume Munar d. Daniel Altmaier, 6-1, 6-3, 4-6, 6-3.
Borna Coric d. Carlos Taberner, 3-6, 6-2, 6-3, 6-1.
Gregoire Barrere d. Taro Daniel, 3-6, 6-2, 0-6, 6-3, 6-4.
Fabio Fognini d. Alexei Popyrin, 6-4, 7-5, 6-4.
Albert Ramos-Vinolas d. Thanasi Kokkinakis, 6-4, 4-6, 6-4, 7-6(5).
Camilo Ugo Carabelli d. Aslan Karatsev, 6-3, 4-6, 6-4, 3-6, 7-6(5).
Bernabe Zapata Miralles d. Michael Mmoh, 7-6(7), 6-3, 7-5.
Jason Kubler d. Denis Kudla, 7-6(5), 7-6(2), 7-6(3).

WOMEN'S SINGLES, FIRST ROUND
#4 Maria Sakkari d. Clara Burel, 6-2, 6-3.
Magda Linette d. #6 Ons Jabeur, 3-6, 7-6(4), 7-5.
Kaia Kanepi d. #10 Garbine Muguruza, 2-6, 6-3, 6-4.
#14 Belinda Bencic d. Reka Luca Jani, 6-1, 6-1.
#17 Leylah Annie Fernandez d. Kristina Mladenovic, 6-0, 7-5.
#18 Coco Gauff d. Rebecca Marino, 7-5, 6-0.
#23 Jill Teichmann d. Bernarda Pera, 6-2, 6-1.
#26 Sorana Cirstea d. Tatjana Maria, 6-3, 6-3.
#31 Elise Mertens d. Elena-Gabriela Ruse, 6-3, 6-1.
Maria Camila Osorio Serrano d. Harmony Tan, 6-4, 6-3.
Beatriz Haddad Maia d. Cristina Bucsa, 6-3, 1-6, 6-2.
Sloane Stephens d. Jule Niemeier, 5-7, 6-4, 6-2.
Karolina Muchova d. Carole Monnet, 6-3, 6-3.
Aliaksandra Sasnovich d. Wang Xinyu, 6-4, 6-1.
Katerina Siniakova d. Petra Martic, 6-4, 7-6(6).
Alison van Uytvanck d. Ann Li, 3-6, 2-3, retired.
Olga Danilovic d. Dalma Galfi, 3-6, 7-6(4), 6-2.
Varvara Gracheva d. Astra Sharma, 4-6, 6-4, 7-5.
Donna Vekic d. Mirjam Bjorklund, 7-6(6), 6-2.
Marie Bouzkova d. Anastasia Gasanova, 6-2, 6-1.

MONDAY'S SHOW-COURT SCHEDULE
#1Iga Swiatek vs. Lesia Tsurenko
#2Barbora Krejickova vs. Diane Parry
#5Anett Kontaveit vs. Ajla Tomljanovic
#15Victoria Azarenka vs. Anna Bogdan
#22Madison Keys vs. Anna Kalinskaya
#27 Amanda Anisimova vs. Naomi Osaka
Elena Rybakina vs. Arantxa Rus
Emma Raducanu vs. Linda Noskova
Ludmila Samsonova vs. Danka Kovinic
Anna-Karolina Schmiedlova vs. Kristina Kucova
Heather Watson vs. Elsa Jacquemont
Angelique Kerber vs. Magdalena Frech
MEN'S SHOW COURT SCHEDULE
#1Noah Djokovic vs. Yoshihito Nishioka
#5Rafael Nadal vs. Jordan Thompson
#10Cameron Norrie vs. Manuel Guinard
#20Marin Cilic vs. Attila Balazs
Reilly Opelka vs. Filip Krajinovic
Stan Wawrinka vs. Corentin Moutet
Taylor Fritz vs. Santiago Fa Rodriguez Taverna
Alessandro Giannessi vs. Borna Gojo
Maxime Cressy vs. Nikoloz Basilashvili

SOCCER

MLS EASTERN		W	L	T	PT	GF	GA
New York City FC	7	3	2	23	24	10	
Philadelphia	5	1	6	21	16	9	
CF Montréal	6	5	2	20	24	23	
Orlando City	6	4	2	20	14	15	
N.Y. Red Bulls	5	3	5	20	20	14	
Cincinnati	6	6	1	19	18	21	
Charlotte FC	5	7	1	16	12	16	
Atlanta	4	4	4	16	19	18	
New England	4	5	3	15	21	22	
Inter Miami CF	4	6	3	15	13	21	
D.C. United	4	6	2	14	16	19	
Columbus	3	5	4	13	15	15	
Toronto FC	3	7	3	12	18	25	
Chicago	2	6	5	11	11	17	
WESTERN		W	L	T	PT	GF	GA
Los Angeles FC	8	3	2	26	26	14	
Austin FC	7	3	2	23	25	12	
FC Dallas	6	2	4	22	20	10	
Real Salt Lake	6	3	4	22	14	17	
LA Galaxy	6	4	2	20	13	11	
Nashville	5	4	4	19	15	15	
Colorado	4	5	3	15	14	14	
Houston	4	5	3	15	14	14	
Minnesota United	4	5	3	15	13	13	
Portland	4	3	6	15	10	21	
Seattle	4	5	1	13	13	14	
San Jose	3	5	4	13	22	28	
Sporting KC	3	7	3	12	12	24	
Vancouver	3	7	2	11	13	23	

Three points for win, one for tie.

